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Old Chanson.

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Familiar in their mouths as household words."

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Preface.

EVERY human being is, willy nilly, interested in the fundamental questions—whence he came, and whither he goes; and, in my humble opinion, the genealogist alone can give all answer that ever will be given to these queries; beyond his limits all is mystery, unthinkable, incomprehensible.

The study of genealogy is invaluable, too, as a training in the weighing of evidence and as an introduction to history. I can conceive of no more attractive or thorough manner of teaching history to school classes than to provide for them a well-equipped antiquarian library, and make each pupil work up the history of a man, family, or town, from the printed records.

And lastly, the history of a family, properly studied, should serve as a guide to the future career and behaviour of its members. For example, if I may say so, a study of the Emerson family leads me to think the genius—if I may use the word—of our family is for a life of *action*, *e.g.*, commerce, pioneering, military or naval service or administration.

I trust the general reader will pardon my offering a genealogical history of our kith and kin, for there is a danger of every genealogist overrating the importance of his own family. I hope, however, I have not fallen into this error, and this historical sketch must speak for itself.

This sketch then can be of interest only to the members of the family and a few antiquaries who care for these things.

The writer hopes he will be forgiven the importance he has given to the Ipswich, Massachusetts, Emersons; but he feels that that family has perhaps done more for humanity than any other branch, in that they have the proud distinction of being amongst the original English conquerors of America (for this English conquest was a far nobler and greater conquest than the Norman conquest, and its influence on civilization incalculable; a thousand years hence any details of any of the conquerors who lived 1620—1640 will be *eagerly* sought for and treasured by historians). Besides, many of the members of this family have fought for their country, whilst a great many others have, from the earliest times, done much to shape the intellectual thought of the keen-witted citizens of the United States of America; and, above all, there has never yet been a *single* member of this family who has dishonoured the name. Sacrificing everything for freedom to worship God in their own way, they have ever maintained that independence of mind, chivalrous honour and courage which first started them in a small vessel across the great, stormy and comparatively unknown Atlantic Ocean in 1638, to settle in the wilds amongst blood-thirsty, cunning and brave savages.

This sketch does not deal with the various early families after the year 1700; it is intended to trace the various roots to the original ancestor and then leave them; and thus, of course, are omitted, with a few exceptions, the families who rose to wealth and distinction in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries—a goodly number.

The writer has endeavoured to make the pedigrees as accurate as possible, but with such a multitude of similar Christian names, errors there must be; and he would point out that he has not, in the pedigrees, printed all the evidence attainable for each step, for the cost of printing had to be considered; and as the writer thought the work would be more valuable if all the abstracts from the original documents were printed in an Appendix, he decided to avoid repetition by giving meagre data in the pedigrees. Any interested person can therefore fill up the *lacunæ* from the Appendix.

Some modern pedigrees have been printed in Chapter V.—answers sent to a circular issued in 1896; but the writer wishes it to be clearly understood he takes no responsibility for the accuracy of these pedigrees. They are printed as contributed—merely having been cast into a more convenient form for the printer. Some great man may one day arise from some of these families, and they may then prove useful guides to research.

The writer offers his apology for including the biographical sketch of himself with its multitudinous photographs. But as he has often been asked for "biographical notes," he took advantage of A. A.'s kind offer to get together some *facts* to which he could in future refer the curious, and some of the numerous photographs he possessed, for being connected a great deal with the photographic world, he has been, as most other photographers have been, an endless target for the "snap-shooter," and hence these pictures, which may interest his posterity. His thanks are especially due to Mr. T. R. Dallmeyer, Mr. Boughton, Messrs. Gibson and Sons, Mr. Maxwell, Mr. T. B. Glascock and others for their "sun-pictures," and to A. A. for the kind compilation of facts of his early career

And now it is the writer's pleasant duty to thank the various courteous correspondents who have helped him in his task. Unfortunately, the only ill-bred correspondents he has had to deal with are clergymen—but not all clergymen are so, he is glad to say—for some whose names are given below, have been kindness and courtesy itself. But there is a class of upstarts in the Church, the result of cheap universities and theological colleges who are a disgrace to their profession. Several clergymen have deliberately attempted extortion, asking thrice their correct fees, and one man actually stooped to post a letter in a disguised hand at a place distant from his residence, in which he stated he was a "gentleman," and proved his ignorance of the law regarding the fees for searches in registers. But I am glad to say the men from the *good* colleges of Oxford and Cambridge have behaved as one would have expected from their training, *i.e.*, as gentlemen. In the writer's opinion parish registers should be placed in the Public Record Office, London, for often a willing and kind clergyman is unable to read his own register. The writer then

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And still the writer feels he has forgotten some kind correspondent, and will strive to make amends for the omission by a story repeated to him by Mr. F. Johnson as it was given him.

In 1896 the writer issued a circular (*vide* Cap. VI.), posting one to every address in Kelly's Directories. It chanced one of these circulars went to the cottage of an Emmerson in Norfolk, a labourer. Very puzzled was he, and rustic-like suspected the Government, but since he could not read he laid in wait for the village surgeon, to whom he handed the paper, asking him to read it to him. All proceeded merrily until the question came—"Do you bear any arms, and if so, what?" The labourer's face was "all eyes and mouth," and scratching his head, he said, with puzzled voice, "Wal, neow, sir, to think them Gover'ment chaps should be so sharp. I sartinly hev an owd gun, but she ain't bin loosed now twenty year, so I never took no licence. But do you make it all right with the gentleman, won't you, sir?"

P. H. EMERSON.

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THE ENGLISH EMERSONS.

Chapter I.

The Surname: Emerson.

The surname Emerson is derived from Aimeric = Aimerick = Haimerico = Emericus = Aimeri = Emeric = Aimery = Emery = Aimeris = Emry = Emries = Eimery = Emerie = Imrie (these all being slight differences of script or dialect for Haimericus) + son. Emerson, like other "son-names," is only to be found in the parts of Britain colonized by the Danes and Northmen—*i.e.*, always in the north of England, *never in the south, save by migration.* Haimericus, the oldest form I have found in any English authorities, is a derivative from Haim + riks (haims and reiks in Gothic, the oldest form to be got at until one gets back to the Arch-Teutonic altogether). It is, like all old Teutonic names, composed of two elements: viz., Haim = home, dwelling, estate, *e.g.*, O.N. Ham-dér; and Rik = rule, power, kingdom, *e.g.*, Mod Eng. Frederick. *The two together do not mean anything, but they make a name,* often half of the name being used by several of the family, as Wolf from the Ylfings, or in compound names as Wolf + grim—Grim + wolf; Wolf + bert—bert + wolf, or Ethel + wolf + bert + bold + red + ric in King Alfred's family. The name suggests a *clan-name-element, e.g.*, there were Ethelings—there would be Haimings.

Aimeric, Eymer, Emery, etc., are Gascon (Poitevin) and southern names and not French, *i.e.*, not from the Franks of France.

The formation of surnames was a gradual process, and so we get in early records—*e.g.*,

John Wilson
|
Will Johnson
|
Simon Wilson

which show the surname *was not yet formed.* In the same way we get filius Emerici (*e.g.*, Parliamentary writs for thirteenth century) and fils Emeri, *e.g.* (Richmond Domesday), "Foeda militum, p. 27. De fœdo Alani fili Emeri in Aynderby Viconte Sutton and Synderby 71 Fœd. Hen. II. Be Briano filio Alani pro 4 foed," but no surname was yet formed. We ought to find something like this—

Emery Rolf's son
|
Rolf Emeryson.

But I have found no early Emerysons in Richmond, Yorkshire, so must conclude that though filius Emerici (which would be in French fils Emeri) occurs the surname Emeryson was never formed there in early times.

There were many Emerys in early records, from Aimeris of Leland's Battle Abbey roll (which, like all Battle Abbey rolls, is later than it pretends to be, open to grave suspicion, and unreliable), to Haimericus of Domesday Book. Later we find Emerys in Durham, Lincoln, Northampton, Hunts, Middlesex, Kent. Essex, Surrey. Norfolk, Dorset and Hants, but none in Boldon Book (Durham Domesday), 1183, nor in Hatfield's Survey, 1377 (Durham), though it contains *Emeryson.* In other counties the Emerys were:—

Lay Subsidies.

Lincolnshire. Poll Tax, 4 Ric. II. $\frac{1}{6}\frac{3}{3}\frac{4}{4}$. John Emry et Marg. ux. ei. No place.
" " " John Em^{9}ry et Alic ux. ei. Vill de Freston.
" 15 Hen. VIII. $\frac{1}{3}\frac{8}{0}\frac{6}{4}$, Boston. Peter Em^{9}ry als Pall.
Northamptonshire. 15 Hen. VIII. $\frac{1}{1}\frac{4}{6}\frac{4}{0}$, Weldon. Henrico Em^{9}ry, Newton Magna.
Thomas Em^{9}ery.

Middlesex. 14 Hen. VIII. $\frac{1}{1}\frac{1}{1}\frac{1}{3}$, Fynesbury. Robert Emeri engl.
Kent. 8 Ed. III. $\frac{1}{1}\frac{2}{2}\frac{2}{2}$, Twyford. Thomas Emery.
„ 4 Ric. II. $\frac{1}{8}\frac{2}{0}\frac{2}{0}$. Gibertus Em^{o}y. Fyscher.
Emma ux. ei.
Margery his servant.
Beatrix „ „
„ 15 Hen. VIII., Hedcorne and Maidstone. Thomas Emere.
Essex. 15 Hen. VIII. $\frac{1}{1}\frac{9}{3}\frac{8}{1}$, Danbury (Chelmsford Hundred). Thomas Emery.
Surrey. 14 Hen. VIII. $\frac{1}{1}\frac{8}{3}\frac{8}{4}$, Farnham. William Emery.

Q.R. Certificates of Residence, 1595. Ric. Emerye of Winchester, Mercer. Robert Emerye of Westminster. Edward Emery of Normancrosse, Hunts.

Close Rolls.

Norwich. 26 Hen. III., Letitia Emery, vid of Will.
No place. 4 Ed. VI., Thomas Emery, 5 pt.
„ „ 2 Eliz., Peter Emery, etc.
„ „ 10 Eliz., Emeric—Will, 6 pt.

Patent Rolls.

Nil.

Inquisition P.M.

Vol. III., p. 99. 22 Ric. II., 1399. No. 34. Dorset, Winchcomb. Johan Emery.
Vol. IV., p. 361. 11 Hen. IV., 1410. No. 51. Will Emerys—Kent.
Vol. XIII., Hen. VIII. 5, P.M. Pauli Emery de Thurlby. Co. Lincoln.

Poll Tax. Lincoln $\frac{1}{6}\frac{2}{3}\frac{2}{6}$. 4 Ric. II., *Ville* de Freston.

Yorkshire Domesday (Richmond).

Alani *fil Emeri.*

Remembering the rule concerning "son-names" we find it holds good with regard to the Emersons; for we find no Emerysons (Emersons) in *southern* counties until *after* 1500—these being of course migrants from the north, as can be proved in many cases, *e.g.*, Thomas (W.P. 1567) of Coldaston, Co. Gloucester, mentions his cousin Arthur of Weardale.

On the other hand the rule is again proved by the fact that before 1400 Emerysons are only to be found in Durham and Yorkshire—the bulk in the former county and but one in Co. York—Geoffery Emeryson (who appears in Patent Roll, 1 Ed. III., Pt. 3, for assaulting John Fitzjohn at Drypole, in Holderness, Co. York), probably a relative of Johannes filius Emerici-Burgess, returned for Parliament for Scarborough, 1309.* As there is no further record of this John or Geoffery in Co. York, or of any other Emeryson up to 1486, when the will of William Emerson of Scardeburgh (Scarborough) is proved, we may fairly conclude that Geoffery probably left no progeny or returned to Co. Durham, whence he probably came, as the Bishops of Durham held various lands in Co. York.

On the other hand in Co. Durham we find several Emerysons before 1400, who increase rapidly between 1400 and 1500, and more rapidly still subsequently, whereas with the single exceptions of the two Yorkshire Emersons cited above, we find no Emerysons (Emersons) in any other county in England *until after* 1500; and when we take into consideration the fact that we find not *a single Emery* in Co. Durham up to 1700 at any rate, except the Archdeacon Aimeric's (1196) son and grandsons, we may, I think, fairly suppose that the Emerysons originated in Co. Durham; and since they must have descended from an Emery we may go further and fairly suppose they are all descended from Aimeric, Archdeacon of Durham (1196—1214), the only one of the name of whom we have any early record in Co. Durham.

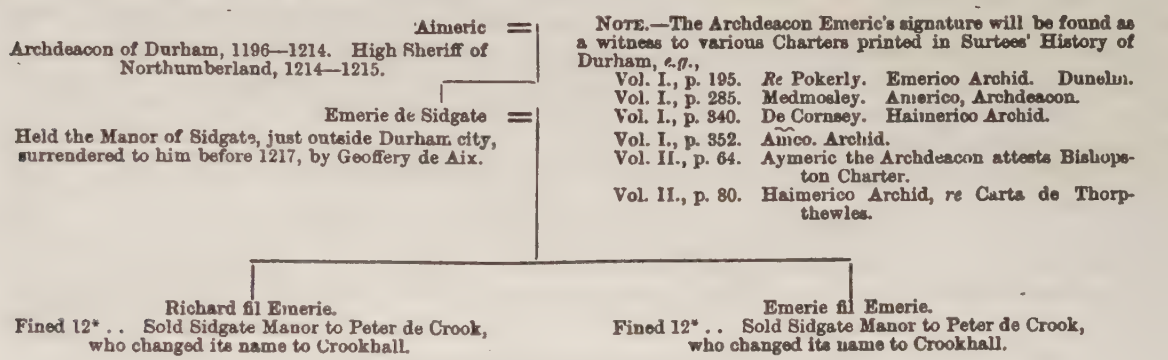
We will now pause a moment and give evidence of the existence of Emerysons or Emerissons, for the name is spelt indifferently either way, in Co. Durham, before 1400. The earliest record I have of the name is that of Johannes Emeryson, of Stanley, Brancepeth Parish, Co. Durham. This † John married in 1350 Agnes Raw, heiress of Will-of-the-Raw, and inherited, through his wife, half of Cornsey Manor and other property. An antiquarian stated in a letter to J. J. Emerson, Esq., LL.D., that he had found a deed concerning this

* Palgrave's Parliamentary Writs, No. 19, p. 28.
† Hutchinson's "History of Co. Durham," Vol. III., p. 388.

John and his lands dated 1312. I have been unable to trace this deed. It may be mentioned here that Emersons held lands at Stanley, Brancepeth Parish, as late as 1581—Will of Ralf Emerson of Brancepeth dated 1581. The next entry is that of Kirstan, widow of Robert Emeryson of Weardale—Cursitor Roll (*vide* Key Pedigree). The next, Hatfield's Survey, wherein Robert Emeryson and his son John Emeryson,**free tenants*, are mentioned, Robert as holding South Bedburn Hall (Hamsterley Parish) and Gibbsclose, and John as holding a toft and croft in Weardale (Brussihows). William Emeryson is also mentioned in the Survey, probably William, Capellanus of Lanchester, who is afterwards first mentioned in the Cursitor Rolls.

We thus see the earliest records show the family were settled in Brancepeth and Lanchester Parishes and in Weardale (Stanhope Parish) and Hamsterley Parishes, from which they rapidly spread over the county in 1400—1500, and later, after 1510, began to run over the borders into Yorkshire, Cumberland, Westmoreland, Northumberland, etc.

Now having got so far, we must seek the Emery from whom they sprang, and the only Emery I can find at any time in Co. Durham was Aimeric, the Archdeacon of Durham, 1196—1214, *nepos* (probably son or grandson) of Bishop Phillip of Poictou, Prince Bishop of Durham 1195, and previously *clericum et familiarem* of Richard *Cœur-de-lion*. We shall go into the Archdeacon's history fully in another chapter, suffice it to say here that Aimeric left issue, having obviously been married before he was made Archdeacon, as was Bishop Phillip of Poictou. The pedigree given in Surtees, Vol. IV., p. 137, is as follows:—


Aimeric =
Archdeacon of Durham, 1196—1214. High Sheriff of Northumberland, 1214—1215.
Emerie de Sidgate =
Held the Manor of Sidgate, just outside Durham city, surrendered to him before 1217, by Geoffery de Aix.
Richard fil Emerie.
Fined 12* . . Sold Sidgate Manor to Peter de Crook, who changed its name to Crookhall.
Emerie fil Emerie.
Fined 12* . . Sold Sidgate Manor to Peter de Crook, who changed its name to Crookhall.

NOTE.—The Archdeacon Emeric's signature will be found as a witness to various Charters printed in Surtees' History of Durham, *e.g.*,

Vol. I., p. 195. *Re* Pokerly. Emerico Archid. Dunelm.
Vol. I., p. 285. Medmosley. Americo, Archdeacon.
Vol. I., p. 340. De Cornsey. Haimerico Archid.
Vol. I., p. 352. Amco. Archid.
Vol. II., p. 64. Aymeric the Archdeacon attests Bishopston Charter.
Vol. II., p. 80. Haimerico Archid, *re* Carta de Thorpthewles.

* Part of date illegible, but after 1217.

Now the link is missing between the Archdeacon's grandsons and John Emeryson of Stanley, 1312, but when the evidence I have adduced is taken into consideration, it may fairly be supposed, I think, that John Emeryson, 1312, of Brancepeth and Lanchester Parishes, and Robert Emeryson of Weardale, who died in 1350, were immediate descendants of either Richard fil Emerie or Emerie fil Emerie. It must be remembered that Brancepeth Parish extends right up to Durham, and Crookhall is in Lanchester Parish, also next to Durham.

I am aware I have not *proved* this descent, and leave my suggestions and reasons for the judgment of others. And in this connection the close relations of the Emersons to the Bishops of Durham must not be forgotten. This could not be mere chance. We have William: Capellanus at Lanchester, 1377, Robert: Parker to the Bishops before 1400, succeeded by a long list of hereditary bailiffs, parkers and high foresters of the name, as well as Richard: Scriba of the Priory, 1483. Will Emerson, also held† lands of Finchale Priory (1411), at Smalleys (Wols. Parish).

It is worth while pointing out here that Aimeric sometimes wrote his name Amerigo, which is, of course, merely an Italianized form of Aimeric, and perhaps assumed in Lombardy, where the Archdeacon may have been trained, as was the custom in those days.

In the earliest records the name is written indifferently, Emeryson or Emerisson, or in their contracted forms, Em^{9}son = Em^{9}yson = Emy^{9}son; and this brings us to a caution, for careless scribes, by omitting the "er" or "^{9}" of the contracted form, have occasionally written the name Emson or Emyson, which is quite incorrect, these being both quite *distinct names*, as we shall show later on. But where this error has occurred,

* Free tenants were "*nobiles*" in these days. † Surtees' Soc. Pub. (*Vide* Appendix.)

it has generally corrected itself, *i.e.*, one finds the sons' or grandsons' names in the correct spelling, EMERSON; *e.g.*, Roger Emson of Marshfield, Co. Gloucester Register; Richard Emyson of Church End, Cottenham, W.P., 1567, have descendants written correctly Emerson. On the other hand, Emson and Emyson can never become or be written Emerson, save by *wilful deception*. Readers of early records must, therefore, keep all *early* Emsons or Emysons under observation, and watch their subsequent forms.

Next we come to corrupt forms of the name, due originally to phonetic scribes. These misspellings are numerous, and it would be idle to quote them all! We shall merely discuss those that have become fixed types, *i.e.*, been transmitted from father to son. They are:—

1. Emmerson (very common).
2. Embersons (common).
3. Amersons (rarer).
4. (?)Amberson (rarest).

I often get my own name misspelled Emmerson and Amerson to-day; and Emberson is a form that sprang up by introducing the "intrusive or excrescent b," which we know from the common word thumb, O.E. thuma, and was not uncommon in earlier times.

All the middle-period records of Co. Durham give the name Emerson; yet the returning officers for the Durham Hearth Tax Rolls chose to give themselves extra trouble, and wrote most of the names Emmerson (*vide* Appendix), but in only a few cases was this form used by the families themselves.

Examples of Emerson becoming Emberson, and then Emerson again, are not rare. This happened even in the United States. The Rev. John, son of Thomas of Ipswich (*ob.* 1666), is written in an Essex land-deed, 25th day, 9th mo., 1648, as John Emberson, but he lived and died and was buried as Emerson, and his father in the same deed is called Thomas Emerson. In Northumberland, Essex, Huntingdonshire, Hertfordshire and Middlesex we find Embersons before 1700; and in a pedigree compiled by me of the Emersons of Bluntisham, we get both spellings, *e.g.*:—

Richard Emerson of Bluntisham, W.P., 1637.
Matthew Emberson, *s.* and *h.* of the above (*sic* in register).

We find in the seventeenth century Amersons transmitting their names in Co. York and at Coventry. The Coventry family wrote themselves Amerson for two or three generations, but finally reverted to the correct Emerson; *e.g.*, wills:—

Thos. Amerson of Coventry, W.P., 1559.
John Emerson of Coventry, Adm., 1608.
John Emerson of Coventry, W.P., 1615.

All these are members of the same family, *vide* pedigree under Emersons of Co. Warwick.

Amberson I am doubtful about. Bardsley[9] gives two Bristol Ambersons and suggests it is for Emerson, but I have been unable to find examples of Ambersons subsequently becoming Emersons, or Emersons subsequently calling themselves Ambersons. It seems to me, however, Emberson might easily be miswritten Amberson by a thick-eared scribe. But I must leave this point open for further evidence.

All Emmersons, Embersons and Amersons, then, who wish to change their names back to the original and correct Emerson are justified in doing so. They are all sprung from Emersons, and are not, as a foolish person wrote to me,—"Emerson, American; Emmerson, English (Yorkshire)—two different families."

These, then, are the positive facts concerning the surname. It is our task now to criticize various writers on the subject who are generally accepted as authorities, but whom, I regret to say, I find generally quite untrustworthy. I shall consider only the latest editions of these guess-workers.

Taking first W. A. Lower's second edition of "Patronymica Britannica." This writer says:—"Emerson is a baptismal name, the genitive case of Emary from Almeric, and that Amery, Emery and Amerigo are from Amalrich, an exalted ruler (*ric*)." As we have said, Emeric is a name of Teuton-heathen type. Moreover, Emery is in *no way* connected with Emary, nor is it derived from Almeric, nor are Emary and Almaric in any way connected.

We have referred to Amerigo as an Italian *corruption*. Bardsley, in his "English

Surnames," fifth edition, p. 29, gives Emery under names introduced by the Normans. "Emery, though now utterly forgotten as a personal name, may be said to live on only in our surnames. It was once no unimportant sobriquet. Americ, Almeric, Almaric, Emeric and Eimeric seem to have been its original spellings in England, and thus, at least, it is more likely to remind us that it is the same name to which, in the Italian form of Amerigo, we now owe the title of that vast expanse of western territory which is so indissolubly connected with English industry and English interests. Curter forms than these were found in Aylmar, Ailmar, Almar, Aymer and Amar. The surnames it has bequeathed to us are not few. It has had the free run of the vowels in our Amorys, Emerys and Imarys, and, in a more patronymic form, we may still oftentimes meet with it in our Emersons, Embersons* and Imesons."† This writer makes the same error of considering Emery and Almaric equivalents, and the additional one of mixing up a fourth name, Ailmar = Aylmer = Æzelmar, etc., with Almeric and Emery and Amalric. Aymer and Amer are not equivalents, nor are they the same as Emery; nor does Amory = Emery. On the other hand, Amory = Amaury = Amalric (Hamal + reiks) Gothic. Nor does Imeson = Emerson. It is probably a corruption of Emmeson (fil Emme).

Fergusson, in "English Surnames," says:—"Hari, a warrior. Old German, Einaher, Einhari. Tenth century, English, Ember or Emery. French, Imer, Emmery." . . . "Perhaps our Emery and Emerson may be from *Ymir*, a giant of Northern Mythology." Einhari has nothing to do with Emery, and Professor York-Powell tells me Ymir can have no possible connection with Emery and Emerson.

In addition to these writers, Professor B. K. Emerson quotes other guesses in his "Emersons in America." He quotes "a most learned anonymous work," "The Norman People,"‡ in which the writer says:—"Amory and Amery come from Hamars, near Caen." Now, Amory cannot come from Hamars, but, as we have said, from a form which in Gothic would be Hamal + reiks, moreover, once more, Emary = Emory or Amory, and does not = Emery. Again, the author of "The Norman People" says:—"Dormer from Amars or Amory, near Caen." But Dormer cannot come from de Amars or de Amory. This "most learned work," like the rest, is absolutely untrustworthy on names.

A Professor Rygh, of Christiania, is said to have suggested that Aymer-son is an early Scandinavian form of Emerson. Aymer has no more to do with Scandinavian than has Robin or Hodgkin.

A Professor Emerson, of Burlington, Vermont, has suggested the name originated from the town *Emmerich*, which is a Rhenish Prussian name, and has nothing to do with Emery.

Professor B. K. Emerson goes on quoting—Graff VI., 986 Patt., "Die Personen und Familien namen," 1, 259, who derives Emmerich from Emeric, old high German Emheri (heri = exercitus), which is bad philology.

Bardsley suggests the Persian Emir, but Emery and the Oriental titles Amir, Emir, Ameer, *have nothing in common.*

These books then are all useless and untrustworthy, nay, misleading, and no person with proper philological training could have written such stuff. Modern philology is a science, and the origin of surnames is no guesswork, as these writers have made it.

My chief delight in this little research has been in finding the results confirming my ideas gathered from other sources as to the origin of the family, *i.e.*, that it first originated in Aquitania.

Up to 1525 I have only been able to trace the following Emersons in other counties than Durham, viz.:—

Robert Em^{9}son of Coton, Co. Cambridgeshire. Lay Sub. Roll $\frac{8}{1}\frac{1}{4}\frac{1}{2}$, 14—15 Hen. VIII.
John Em^{9}son of Bishop Lynn, Co. Norfolk. Lay Sub. Roll $\frac{1}{8}\frac{4}{1}\frac{8}{0}$, 16 Hen. VIII.
Ed. Em^{9}son of Holt, Co. Norfolk. Lay Sub. Roll $\frac{1}{8}\frac{4}{8}\frac{8}{8}$, 14 Hen. VIII.

* "Richard Amberson and Robert Amberson may be seen in Barrett's 'History of Bristol' (index). If not sprung from Ambrose, they will be but a variation of Emberson."

* Barrett's "History of Bristol," pp. 549 and 561, refers to Mr. *Robert* Amberson (1655 and 1656). No mention of Ric. Amberson, as stated by Bardsley.

† I suggest this is an error and from Emme, fil Emmes = Emmeson or Immeson.

‡ Henry S. King & Co., 1874.

John Enderson of Papworth Agnes, Co. Hunts. Lay Sub. Roll $\frac{1}{3}\frac{3}{3}$, 15—16 Hen. VIII.
(This entry is of course doubtful.)

John Em^{9}son of Folkingham, Co. Lincoln. W.P. 1526.

Geoffery Emeryson of Co. Yorks. 1324, Pat. Roll, 1 Ed. III., p. 3.

William Emerson of Scarborough. W.P., 1486.

Thomas Emerson of Skelton, Co. Yorks. Forester. W.P., 1516.

James Emerson of Lowick, Co. Northumberland. 1514, sought sanctuary at Durham.

There are many names that look like corruptions of Emerson at the first glance, but are no more connected with Emerson than with Smith, Jones, or Robinson. The commonest of these is Emmeson and its variants Emson, Empson, Emison, Emminson, Emmet, Emmetson, Emmotson, Ems, Emms, Emmes, Emyson, etc. All these names are derived from Emma, old form Emme—originally an English pet name, applied first in history to a Norman count's wife Emma. *Dieu vous sauve, Dame Emma,* was a popular saying in the days of *Piers Plowman.* To be just, Mr. Bardsley is quite correct on these names,* viz., when talking of surnames derived from Christian names of women, he says Emma is commemorated in little companies of Emms, Emsons, Empsons, Emmotts, Emmetts and Emotsons, and he might have added Emetsons, Eminsons, Emysons, Emisons, Emmisons, Emmesons and Emesons.

This, as I have said, is fully confirmed by my researches. These *sons of Emma* are, of course, very numerous, and appear in almost every county in early times, but especially on the northern and eastern side of England. We get them in early records as fil' Emme: son of Emma; then, as a rule, as Emmesons, as in Norfolk, year 1200 (John Emmeson); then we get the various corruptions and misspellings, as Empson, Emison, Emmenson, Eminson, etc.

The *typical* contraction and rendering of this name is, of course, Emson; but many of the variants have become fixed, and descended from father to son, so that now they may be looked upon as separate names, *e.g.*, Empson, Emmetson, Ems, Emmet, Emetson, etc. We find a number of these in the hundred rolls, Vols. I. and II. In Close Rolls (printed), Vol. I., 485, Robertus fili Emme; 14 Hen. III., p. 1, No. 17, Henry, son of Emma of Lincoln; and many subsequent entries at Norwich, Oxford, etc. In Chancery proceedings, Bundle 61, No. 47, we get William Emetson of Croft, Co. Lincoln—the very man whose son impudently adopted the name of Emerson (*vide* chapter on Lincolnshire Emersons). In Patent Rolls, 12 Ed. 1, No. 2, Richard, son of Emma of Chester, 1284, in Salop, 1299, in Appleby, etc. Anyone who casts his eye over the Index to Patent Rolls, published in Appendix, will see how they were spread about over the country, and how numerous the varied sons of different Emmas must be. In Inq. P.M. in Vol. IX., Rich. III., we get the name at Gunthorpe, Co. Lincoln; and in Lay Subsidies it abounds in Lincolnshire, 1324 (Emmeson); in Northumberland, 24 Ed. I. $\frac{1}{1}\frac{1}{1}$, at various places, and later as Emson; in Westmoreland, 6 Ed. III., as fil Eme and Emmeson, and in 2 Ric. II. as Emson; in Leicestershire, 6 Ed. III., as fil' Emme, and 15 Hen. VIII. $\frac{1}{1}\frac{3}{3}$, as Ameson; in Cambridgeshire as Empson and Emson (the same person), viz., $\frac{1}{1}\frac{1}{1}$ 14 Hen. VIII., Kennett; Thomas Empson, roll $\frac{1}{1}\frac{1}{1}$ 14 Hen. VIII., Kennet; Thomas Emson; in Northampton, $\frac{1}{1}\frac{1}{1}$ 15 Hen. VIII., as Emsonne, in $\frac{1}{1}\frac{1}{1}$ as Thomas Empson, and in $\frac{1}{1}\frac{1}{1}$ as Thomas Emson, the same person, and a very wealthy family; in Warwickshire, 6 Ed. III., as Emmesone and fil Emme, 2 Ric. II. as Emston and Emsonne, and 14 Hen. VIII. as Empson; in Cumberland, 6 Ed. III., as fil' Emme, in will as Emotson, and in Register (Lazonby) as Emetson—the two last the same person; in Co. Gloucester, 1 Ed. III., as Emmeson; in Bucks, 6 Ed. III., as Emmesone; in Notts, 6 Ed. III., as fil Emme; in Herts, 19 Ed. I., as fil Emme.

I have not given the references to the rolls except where some point is made, *i.e.*, when the name is spelt Emson or Empson indifferently; but the full references to the rolls are given in the Appendix (*q.v.*).

If the reader will now turn to the Appendix, he will find various wills of this family Emison or Emyson, printed on purpose to show different spellings of the name, as Emison and Emyson. Then if he will turn to the extracts from Cursitor Rolls, Co. Durham, he will find references to the few fil Emme or sons of Emma in Co. Durham, for some there were there too, spelling the name Emson, or Emetson, or Em, or Emme, or Emyson, or Emson,

* Bardsley's "English Surnames," pp. 1, 2, 33.

but they were few and far between and confined chiefly to Stockton Ward. However, we find the earliest in Bishop Pudsey's time—Emme de Monasteriis. Then we find them in various Cursitor Rolls (*vide* Appendix); and again in Hatfield's Survey, 1377, we find them all described. They held by *servile* tenure, and were not well off. In this Survey we get in Easington Ward, Matilda Emson, Petrus Emmeson, also written Petrus Emson, Robertus Emson; in Stockton Ward, Johannis filius Johannes Emmeson and Thomas Emmeson and Willelmus Emme and John fil Roberti Emme. Evidently the above John and Thomas, written Emme or Emmeson, and once we get it written *Eme.*

In Cursitor Roll, No. 12, 1348—1362, and No. 13, we get Ric. Emson, Will Emmeson; and at Sedgefield, Will Emmeson and John Emmeson; and in Darlington, William Emmotson and Thomas Emmotson; and at Middleham, Robert Emotson. It is evident these Emotsons of Darlington are the same as the Emsons of Middleham, and in both rolls Isabella is given as the wife of William.

In the next Survey, Langley's Survey, we get the *sons of Emma* in Easington Ward again—Peter *Emmeson* and Rob. *Emson.* Hutchinson, in his "History of Durham," says a family of the name took the local name of Morton—"A resident family assumed the name Morton, and we find Petrus de Morton died seized of West Morton 5° Bury, which family after fell into female issue." In an original P.M. Agnes fila Emme fil' Rob of Morton 4°20, Hatfield, 1365, is mentioned; also Sibilla fila de Emme 4°20, Hatfield. This may account for their disappearance in Co. Durham, and the only will I find of this family in the county is that of John Emson of Greatham.

Perhaps nothing could have proved more clearly that the Emerysons and Emmesons (did it require proof) are altogether distinct families than the Durham records cited. Emmesons were to be found in many counties before 1500, but no Emersons except in Durham and Co. York. In short, the sons of Emma are no more connected with the sons of Aimeric, than are the sons of John, Thomas, Dick or Harry. All Emersons are related, having come from one common stock. Evidently very few Emmeson families are connected, as they obviously sprang from dozens of unconnected Emmas.

There are Amisons, Amysons and Ames; *e.g.*, Patent Rolls, 24 Eliz., but these names have nothing to do with Emerson, and cannot be derived from Emericus. Amis and Amysons are found plentifully in Cheshire and Suffolk, for example.

Other names that are in no way connected with Emerson are Emberton, Emerton and Amory. We will briefly discuss these distinct names, citing examples.

In the Black Book of the Exchequer,* A.D. 1166, we find Paganus de Emberton holding a fee of the barony of Dudley in Co. Bucks. In Lay Subsidy $\frac{2}{4}\frac{4}{2}$ 6 Ed. III., we find the name at Newport Pagnel; also in roll $\frac{1}{2}\frac{8}{2}$ 14 Hen. VIII, and in many rolls of 14 Hen. VIII. in the same county (*vide* Appendix, Lay Subsidies, Bucks.) In 14 Hen. VIII., it also occurs in Northamptonshire. Emberton may have here and there become corrupted into Emerton through the writing of the old contracted hand, when it was written Emb^{9}ton for Emberton. But Emerton is possibly a distinct name in origin. In the Hundred Rolls (Vol. II. printed vols., p. 609) we get Simon de Amerton holds two acres of land for 12d., Co. Hunts Inq. taken 7 Ed. I. In Lay Subsidy Bucks $\frac{1}{8}\frac{8}{6}$ 14 Hen. VIII., we get Emerton, and frequently as Em^{9}ton. We also find it *tempe* 14 Hen. VIII. in Northampton, and, like Emberton, we do not find it in Durham.

Taking lastly the name Amory, we get in Inq. P.M., Vol. VI., 14 Ed. III., 1 Ric. II., Amorys in Bedfordshire and Essex.

And family nomenclature is a matter heralds should pay attention to, for I note a Notts family of Emertons who have (if it be genuine) what is evidently an exemplification of Ralf of Foxton's coat. Emertons are just as much entitled to the arms of Jones, being no more connected with the Emersons than are the Jones, and this should particularly be noted in the case of the sons of Emma, as Emeson, Emmison, etc. For example, there are *armigerous* Emsons, but they are in no way connected with Emersons, and *vice versâ*, Emersons are in no way connected with Emysons.

In the Appendix the reader will possibly note several Emersons als (alias) somebody,

* Salt Archæological Soc., Vol. I., p. 197.

e.g., Emerson, als Robinson (Langley's Survey). It must not be hastily concluded that these are necessarily all illegitimate sons. On the other hand, in early times it was the custom for posthumous sons to take the widow's maiden-name. Later they do sometimes represent illegitimate sons, who usually take the mother's name.

Of all the surnames beginning with "E," Dr. Farr (formerly Registrar-General) calculated that 2·4 per cent. only of the population of Great Britain begin with the letter E; and since this letter includes the common names Evans and Edwards, Dr. Farr having estimated that in 1885 there were 93,000 Evans and 58,100 Edwards out of a total of 3,253,800 names, it shows that, large as have been the families of many Emersons, they are comparatively rare.

Finally, let the name increase and multiply, and let no false malthusian doctrines check its spread. Let every bearer of it cherish it honourably as becomes men whose ancestors in remote times were gentlemen of worth (*e.g.*, *nobiles*), who, though fallen from their good estate, have not depreciated in honour and valour.

CHAPTER II.

Armorial Bearings.

PERHAPS no subject is more misunderstood of the people than Heraldry, and perhaps nothing has led more to snobbishness amongst the middle classes than the legitimate use of coat-armour by the nobility and gentry. To all interested in the subject, we heartily recommend Mr. Fox-Davies' "Armorial Families,"* the first attempt to publish a directory of persons bearing arms with authority; and until all three Colleges of Arms publish official lists of persons entitled to bear arms—great desiderata—Mr. Fox-Davies' book will suffice as the best achievement of the kind in existence.

I shall now, as briefly as possible, for the benefit of my many correspondents, explain the legal aspect of the matter, and I take leave to thank C. H. Athill, Esq., Richmond Herald, for many kind letters of help and advice.

The legal right to bear arms, then, is an honour conferred by the Sovereign only, through the officers of the College of Arms. This honour is conferred on an individual and his *direct legitimate lineal descendants* (unless otherwise stated in the patent) for ever, by a patent granted by Her Majesty through the Kings of Arms, and descends in the direct line (unless otherwise stated), and not to collaterals. A person, therefore, claiming an existing coat-of-arms must satisfy the officers of the College of Arms by *legal* proof that he is a *legitimate direct* descendant in the male line of the original grantee who was the first armiger entitled to the claimed coat by patent granted. The absurdity of persons of the *same name* as that of an armigerous family using their arms is then apparent, and a man might just as well claim a strange *namesake's* property *because* he was of the same name, as claim the arms of a namesake family.

Moreover, a man may be a legal descendant of an armiger long dead, but if he cannot *prove*, and does not *register* his descent from the deceased armiger to the satisfaction of the officers of the College, he is no more entitled to use the arms than he would be to inherit property left in Chancery by an ancestor whose relationship he could not or did not *prove*. Any other person using arms is a snobbish impostor, and the prey of many of the still more dishonest "heraldic stationers" of the baser sort, who would probably sell a fool a spurious title if anyone were stupid enough to buy one.

There is much misconception as to the word gentleman. *No* man is a gentleman unless he be entitled to bear arms, or is legally granted the title, *e.g.*, officers in the army under the rank of captain; and an armiger is the lowest grade in the order of precedence, and all others, no matter what position in life they occupy, do not rank. The word is derived from the Latin *gens*, or family, as opposed to *plebs*. An armiger is a man belonging to an officially recognised armigerous family, in fact, a "pedigree man," to use a sporting phrase, whereas all others

* A third edition is now in preparation, to be published in 1898.—P. H. E.

(with the exceptions cited) are plebeians, and the loose definitions of the word gentleman as "a man of honour," "of upright character," etc., are all alike fictions. Gentleman is as clearly and legally defined as baronet, duke, etc.

An armiger is *per se* a gentleman, but not necessarily an esquire, and *vice versâ* an esquire is not always an armiger. An esquire, according to Mr. Fox-Davies (*q.v.*) is any person whom Her Majesty in her patents addresses as such, *e.g.*, Royal Academicians; but persons whom the government address as esquires are not necessarily such. Ranking as esquires are *e.g.*, Justices of the Peace, Officers in the Army and Navy of the rank of Captain and upwards, etc. Doctors, Barristers, Graduates of the Universities, Clergymen, etc., are not esquires, nor are they gentlemen—though Officers of Her Majesty's Army and Navy under the rank of Captain are styled "gents.," as are Solicitors "by Act of Parliament;" but such have no place in the scale of precedence and do not rank unless they be armigerous.

A man uses the arms or crest or both as granted him or his ancestors. A married woman may use her husband's coat whilst he is alive, but if she becomes a widow she places her husband's arms impaled with her own on a lozenge; the unmarried daughters of an armiger use the arms of their father only, also in a lozenge. And if a man dishonestly assumes arms to which he has no legal claim, an injunction can be taken out against him and he made to pay the costs thereof by the rightful owner of the coat.

By paying a guinea at the Post Office for a licence to use arms many uninformed people think they are entitled to use the bogus or stolen arms by which they proclaim themselves snobs; but this is not so, the revenue authorities merely exact the licence fee from all who claim to bear arms because it is not their duty to enquire into the legality of the arms claimed, and of course the assumption is that only genuine armigers will apply. The licence does not *confer* a right to arms any more than a gun licence confers a gun.

When the English and Irish Colleges issue official lists of armigers a short Act should be passed compelling the revenue authorities to grant licences to none but persons included in the official list. The Scotch College has already issued such a list. Official lists and a further short Act carrying this into effect and imposing a heavy fine for persons illegally using arms would speedily end these abuses.

Another error is to suppose that the daughter of a man entitled to bear arms who marries a man without arms can continue to use her father's arms. She cannot, and by marrying a *plebs* loses her right to arms *pro tempore*. Therefore let all honest men of the name of Emerson avoid the baser sort of "heraldic stationer" like a leper—there is one authority and only one on such matters, and that is the College of Arms.

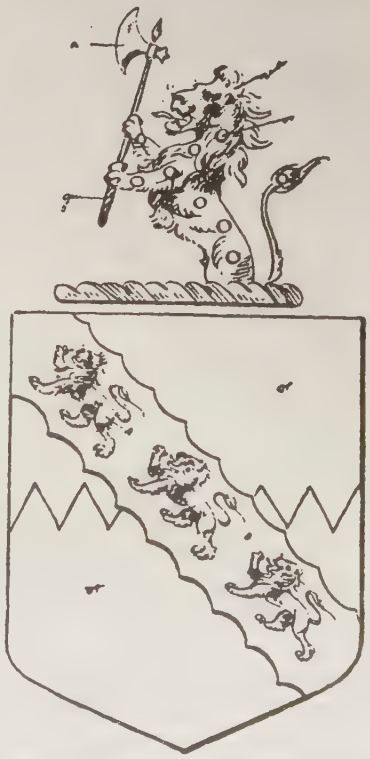
I shall now proceed to give the arms and pedigrees of every armigerous family of the name of Emerson as recorded at the Colleges of Arms of England, Scotland and Ireland.

(I.)

EMERSON, RALF, GENT., OF FOXTON, COUNTY DURHAM.

(This is the oldest recorded Emerson coat.)

Bears per fesse indented or and vert, on a bend engrailed azure three lions passant argent; crest, a demi-lion rampant vert and bezanté, holding a battle-axe, shaft gules and head argent. This coat was granted to Ralf Emerson, of Foxton, County Durham, 26 Henry VIII. (1535), by Sir Thos. Wall, Garter King of Arms. Appended is certified copy of these arms. No motto or pedigree was registered with the coat. Nearly every armoury has given this coat wrongly—including Burke, Fairbairn and Mr. Fox-Davies. They all give for crest a lion rampant, etc., whereas a *demi-lion* rampant is correct. Hence the baser sort of "heraldic stationer" has been over and over again selling the arms with the lion rampant crest, and often with Sir Emerson-Tennant's registered motto, to their ignorant,



The Armorial Bearings of Ralf Emerson, of Foxton, in the Bishopric of Durham, which were granted to him about the year 1535.

CHARLES H. ATHILL,
Richmond Herald of Arms.
College of Arms, London.
28th June, 1897.

vain or unscrupulous victims, who have plastered this coat all over the country-side and the colonies, as well as in the Republican States of America. And the truth is that at the present moment *nobody* in the whole wide world is entitled to use these arms. No one knows anything for certain of Ralf of *Foxton*, no one has yet been able to trace any *single* Emerson to Foxton, or connect *any* Emerson family with Foxton, and so far as I am concerned it is not for lack of trying. Days and days of work has this elusive armiger cost me, and yet he has not been *conclusively* captured. Ralf Emersons abound between 1500 and 1600 in Co. Durham and elsewhere, but I cannot prove the existence of a single Foxton Emerson and my appendix is a hint to the wise. Who was he, then?

That is the question; but before attempting to answer it, let me consider some of the more serious claimants to the arms and their pretensions.

The arms were neither claimed nor disclaimed at the Durham Visitation of 1575; but arms (what arms unknown) were disclaimed by Thomas Emerson, of Darlington, and Brian Emerson, of Eastgate, at the Visitation of 1615. Finally, arms were neither claimed nor disclaimed by Emersons at that of 1666, the last Visitation of the County Durham. Thomas, of Darlington, and Brian, of Eastgate, may have had a right to arms and disclaimed in 1615, so as to escape paying the fees, or they may have been impostors and been disclaimed by the Heralds. In any case, we get no further on, for we do not know *what* arms they disclaimed. It may have been the Eastgate coat, and it *may* have been Ralf's coat, or even the Lincolnshire coat; therefore, it is useless to say more on this head.

The next person who must have thought he was related to Ralf, of Foxton, was Arthur Emerson, of Dublin, Gent., who got a grant of arms from the Ulster King of Arms in 1692, in Dublin, and was granted an *exemplification*, but as no pedigree of him exists, it is useless to consider his claims—if claims they were; and as he was in all likelihood the son of Brian, who was disclaimed in 1615, his position is unenviable. The low state of Irish Heraldry, too, prevents us from attaching any importance to this exemplification. (*Vide* our remarks on this head under Sir James Emerson-Tennent.)

James Emerson, afterwards Sir James Emerson-Tennent, sent an unproved, but short, for all that, pedigree to Burke, and used Ralf of Foxton's arms without authority; but in 1867, when he was knighted and *compelled* to prove his right to arms or take a new coat he only registered his father, an *Irishman*, and was allowed an *exemplification*, and most wrongly so, for he never proved himself to be, or gave any facts to show that he had the slightest claim to be considered even of Durham origin, which Arthur Emerson aforesaid must have done (*vide* Patent). I find that Sir James Emerson-Tennent's brother, who had no right whatever to arms, used Ralf of Foxton's arms. Sir James Emerson-Tennent never gave the slightest *proof* that he knew who was his grandfather, and yet he talked of coming from a Foxton man living in 1535 in County Durham; and, as I have said before, the state of Irish Heraldry prevents us from attaching any importance to the exemplification.

Next, the Emersons of Easby Hall must be cited; but since they have not given any legal proof of descent beyond their ancestor, James Emerson, granted arms in 1845, a Yorkshireman, their claims are obviously worthless; and I am pleased to say J. J. Emerson, Esq., LL.D., the present representative of the family, does not claim any descent from Ralf, of Foxton. Moreover, the grant to James Emerson in 1845 is based on the Lincolnshire coat—why, it is impossible to state.

And lastly, the Emersons of Ipswich, Mass., U.S.A., or rather the lineal descendants of Thomas Emerson and Elizabeth his wife, who appeared in Ipswich, Mass., in 1 38, claim the arms, and are demonstrably by a long way the oldest claimants to the coat, and by a long way the most likely to turn out true heirs to the coat if the matter ever be cleared up; but at present this family has no right to use these or any arms, not having given legal proof of their descent from Ralf, of Foxton, armiger. The probabilities are in their favour, and that is all, but they are strongly in their favour.

Thomas Emerson, who emigrated to Massachusetts about 1638 (if a lineal descendant of Ralf, armiger), would probably be either son or grandson (most likely grandson), which is getting close. He was a man of substance (*vide* his will) and a strong Puritan. If he had not really the right to the arms, at least his family knew of their existence at that period, which points to their having originated in Durham as tradition has it. One member of the family visited the College of Arms in 1709 and carried back a correct emblazoning of the arms.

Mr. C. H. Athill has kindly supplied me with the following notes left amongst Mr. Dale's papers. Mr. Dale was Suffolk Herald Extraordinary. It seems the Rev. John Emerson was anxious to obtain information concerning an Atkinson family.

Dear Sir,—The bearer, the Reverend Mr. John Emerson, lately come from New England, wants some information out of your office. I beg you would use him as my friend and you will very much oblige.

Dear Sir, Yor. most obedt. humble Servant,
(Signed) Henry Newman.

Whitehall, 26th Sept., 1709.
To Robert Dale, Esqr., at the Heraldry Office.

Note in the handwriting of the said Robert Dale—
Mr. Emerson, at the Golden Acorn in Bell Alley, Coleman Street.

The drawing attested by Mr. Dale of the College of Arms is here reproduced with a certificate of how it came into the present possessor's hands. This emblazonment with certificate hangs in the rooms of the New England Historical Society, at Boston. Somewhat similar arms were again, in 1712, carved on the tombstone of Nathaniel Emerson (Thomas' youngest son), who was born in England and buried in Ipswich, Mass., U.S.A. The tombstone stands in the old Ipswich burying ground to-day, and herewith is a photograph of the stone erected in 1712. But to judge by the crest it was done from an earlier drawing than Dale's—the family seems to have possessed two or three other drawings of the coat.*

Drawing of arms of Ralf Emerson, of Foxton, Co. Durham, in possession of John Emerson, of Ipswich, Mass., 1712.

At the foot the reading is—

The Arms and Crest above depicted were granted to Ralph Emerson, of Foxton in the County Palatine of Durham, by Tho. Wall, Garter Principal King of Arms Ao. 26 Hen. VIII.

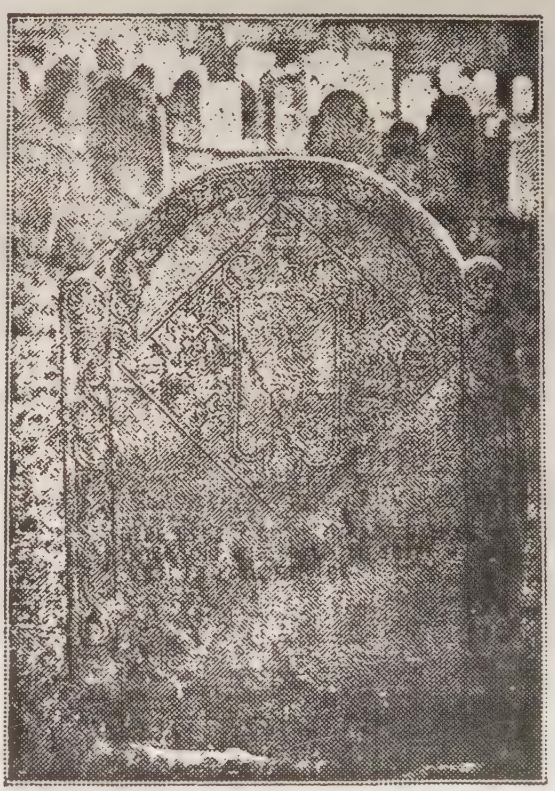
Ita Testor Rob. Dale Fecialis,
Tituło Suffolc. Colleg.,
25 Jan., 1709. Armor Registrarii Deputatus.

On the back of the blazon of arms.
Arms of the Emerson family.

Samuel Phillips, goldsmith, of Salem, married Mary Emerson, May 6, 1687. She was the dau. of Rev. John and Ruth (Symonds) Emerson, of Gloucester, and granddaughter of Dep. Gov. Symonds, of Ipswich.

This coat of arms I obtained from Miss Harriet Russell, of North Yarmouth (Maine), who was great granddaughter of Rev. Samuel Phillips, of Andover, who was son of the above-named Samuel Phillips, of Salem. Harriet Russell died at North Yarmouth, May 8, 1851, aged 83.

This paper was obtained in 1849.
(Signed) Wm. G. Brooks.



Tombstone of Nathaniel Emerson, ob. 1712, æt. 88
(Son of Thomas and Eliz.).
Old burying ground, Ipswich, Mass., Ralf of Foxton's arms carved thereon. Photographed 1896.

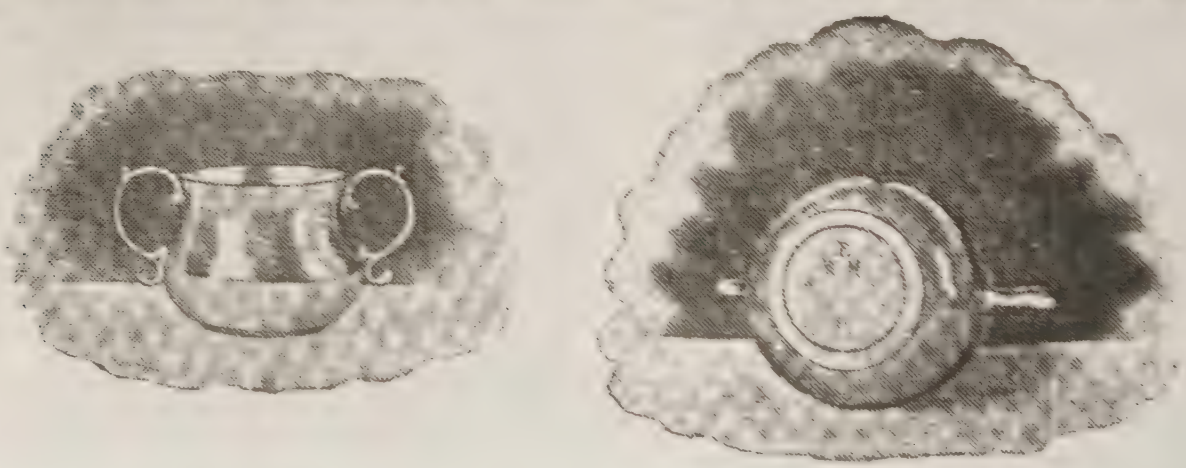
Next Sir John Evans, K.C.B., the noted numismatist, of Nash Mills, Hemel Hempstead, bought, some years ago, from a German dealer, the "medal" here reproduced, bearing Ralf's arms. The Richmond Herald, to whom I submitted the photograph, by the "mantling" places the date

* Prof. B. K. Emerson's "Emersons in America."

of the work as between 1650 and 1700, but nearer 1650 than 1700. This "work," for it is not a "medal" in the true sense of the word, was evidently done from an authentic drawing and

OBVERSE and REVERSE of a Silver Medal or portion of lid of drinking cup, bought from a German dealer by Sir J. Evans, K.C.B., in Germany
This Medal bears Ralf of Farton's arms. Its probable date is the latter half of the seventeenth century. The Medal is tooled work.

may have been made to order for Thomas of Ipswich, who died 1666. And lastly, Mr. Edward D. Emerson, of Waltham, Mass., a direct descendant of Rev. John Emerson, of Topsfield (who was the son of Edward Emerson and Rebecca Waldo, who was the son of Rev. Joseph Emerson and Eliz. Bulkeley, who was the son of Thomas Emerson, of Ipswich), has kindly sent me the



two photographs here reproduced of a beautiful old silver cup which he has inherited from the Rev. John Emerson, of Topsfield (Topsfield was the northern parish of Ipswich, Mass.). Mr. Emerson says the tradition he received with the cup is that it belonged to an ancestor of Thomas Emerson, of Ipswich, and was taken to Massachusetts by him in 1638. On the bottom are the initials $\frac{E}{W.M.}$ the old way of "marking" William and Mary or Margaret Emerson, and besides these initials are the letters I.D. in a heart, which Mr. Emerson suggests stand for

"John Daniel," who was registered as a goldsmith in 1530—50. There seems to be no hall-mark on the cup by which its age can be accurately fixed. Mr. Emerson has also a chair and a drawing of arms descended from Rev. John Emerson, of Topsfield, Mass., U.S.A., in whose widow's will, proved 1790, the cup is devised to her son, Joseph Emerson, as an heirloom. It has been suggested that the "medal" referred to above was part of the lid of a drinking cup, but we have no proof to link the two. It is worth while pointing out in this connection that a possible Ralf, of Foxton, had a son William who died in 1624, but whose administration only unfortunately exists. Mr. E. D. Emerson suggests the William as identical with the Southwark William who died 1575,—but his wife was Anne. But it is noteworthy that his grandson Henry had a son Thomas of whom I have no further record, and a son William whose wife Mary died at St. Botolph, Aldgate, 1639—William's brother Humphrey taking out an administration of his property until William "should return from abroad" (*vide* pedigree of Emerson of County Surrey (Southwark) for further details).

All this is not *proof*, I am aware, and does not establish the claim, but when one considers all the circumstances, the fanatic puritanism of Thomas, of Ipswich, and therefore his wilful suppression of all such vanities as coat-armour, the fact that he was a man of substance, and also that he or his family knew of the existence of Ralf's arms and thought it worth while to get a certificate of them from the College of Arms (a document which they in their simplicity may have taken as proof that they were entitled to the arms) and then carved them on the tombstone in 1712, and that his friends were Major-General Dennison and Deputy-Governor Symonds (both mentioned in his will). his son John marrying Deputy-Governor Symonds' daughter Ruth, and his sons, the Rev. Joseph and Rev. John, were well educated—the balance of evidence *is in favour* of the assumption that Thomas Emerson, of Ipswich, Mass., was a direct lineal descendant of Ralf Emerson, armiger. With these facts we must leave the case, merely adding that if "prescriptive right" held in Heraldry (*which it does not*) certainly the descendants of Thomas, of Ipswich, would have the right to the arms, as they at least give *proofs* of having used them for nearly two hundred years, and before any other existing family, but since they cannot prove the right, *not any of them has any right* to use the arms any more than anybody else, and so Ralf of Foxton's arms belong to-day to *nobody*. And this fact American Emersons should carefully lay to heart, for any one using them is performing an illegal act and branding himself imposter. And if the baser sort of heraldic stationer sells these arms to anyone as "his arms" it would be wise to prosecute that person for "obtaining money under false pretences."

It would be a work entailing the expenditure of much time to trace all Ralfs of the period, nevertheless many a Ralf have I followed in vain, but I shall omit to deal with absolutely futile researches.

As Ralf Emerson, of Westgate Castle, is mentioned in the 1615 Visitation of County Durham, I shall chronicle him at once as an "impossible." He was Ralf, of Witton Gilbert, yeoman,* according to Cursitor Rolls; doubtless a forest officer of some sort at Stanhope, for Westgate Castle was not a private residence, but the official residence of the Weardale forest officers, where the tenants paid the customary "jock pennies" and where other forest business of a like kind was transacted. The matter stands thus:—

Ralf Emerson, =
* *Ob.* Aug. 7, 1606, bur. Aug. 12, 1606.—
Witton Gilbert Register.

Dorothy, = Lawrence Wilkinson,
dau. of Ralf E., of Witton Gilbert. Witton Gilbert Register (*q.v.* App.).
of Ferry Hill, Oct. 13, 1582.*
Dorothy his second wife.

Katharine, = Anthony Meaborne,
dau. of Ralf E., of Witton Gilbert. Witton Gilbert Register (*q.v.* App.).
gent., of Pontop, Feb., 1592.*

This Ralf Emerson made an inventory of Temperley's effects in 1577,† was in the muster‡ of 1569 as a foot soldier in coat of mail armed with a lance (a retainer of the second sort). He had another daughter, Anna, buried Jan. 1st, 1581.§ For fuller details *vide* the pedigree of the Ludwell Emersons, of Co. Durham.

* Cursitor Rolls, 58 (86), Roll No. 1, of Matthew Hutton, Nov. 8, 35 Eliz. Emerson, Ralf, *yeoman*. Has license to alienate to Anthony Meaburne and Catherine his wife, a messuage, land, etc., in Witton Gilbert.

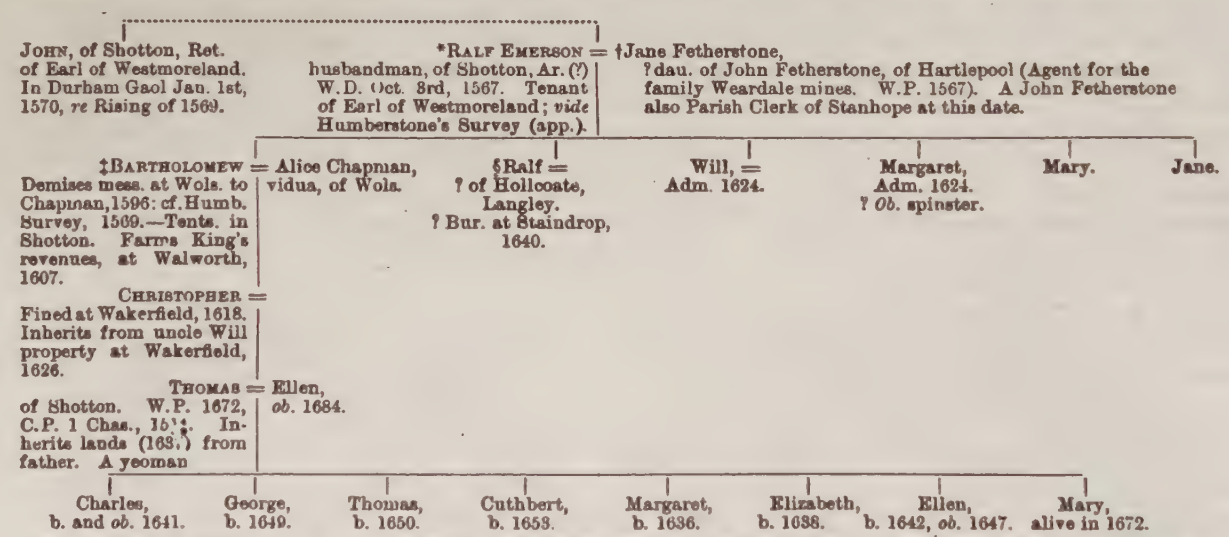
† Surtees' Society, Pub. Wills and Inventories. ‡ Muster Roll, State Papers, Dom., Eliz. (1569).

§ Witton Gilbert Register.

I have eliminated this Ralf merely because, since he is mentioned in the Durham Visitation of 1615 under Wilkinson as of Westgate Castle, I know some people think he was Ralf armiger, and I have seen him in some genealogical publications described as Ralf Emerson, *esquire*, of Westgate Castle. He was a yeoman.

The *only* Ralf and in fact the *only family* of Emersons I have been in any way able to connect with Foxton, are the Emersons of Shotton. Now there are two Shottons in Durham, but evidently Shotton in Sedgefield Parish is meant, and since Shotton and Foxton *form one township* (Surtees' "History of Durham," etc), there is reason for going into the history of this family, as possibly the Ralf, of Shotton, I refer to was the armiger, but it must be remembered I have no conclusive *proof* to offer that he was the armiger. However, as Shotton and Foxton form one township, a native who was not sure of the boundaries might easily give his address as of Foxton or Shotton, and I constantly hear to-day the same sort of mistake made. I live in Oulton Parish, across the bridge is Carlton Colville, but I constantly hear people say indiscriminately they live at Oulton, or Oulton Broad, and Oulton Broad Post Office is in Carlton Colville Parish, hence considerable confusion; and so it may have been with Foxton and Shotton.

The *earliest* record I have of an Emerson in Shotton is of Ralf Emerson, of Shotton, whose will is dated 1567, but when he died is unknown as the date of probate is not preserved. A copy of the will is in the Probate Registry at Durham, and I give it in full *verbatim et literatim* in the Appendix. Now Bartholomew (his son) is a most uncommon name amongst the Durham Emersons, so I followed him a little distance but soon lost sight of him. I have had all the available registers of the surrounding country-side searched, and give herewith the result in pedigree form so far as I have been able to trace the family from various records.


JOHN, of Shotton, Ret. of Earl of Westmoreland. In Durham Gaol Jan. 1st, 1570, re Rising of 1569.
*RALF EMERSON = husbandman, of Shotton, Ar. (?) W.D. Oct. 3rd, 1567. Tenant of Earl of Westmoreland; vide Humberstone's Survey (app.).
†Jane Fetherstone, ?dau. of John Fetherstone, of Hartlepool (Agent for the family Weardale mines. W.P. 1567). A John Fetherstone also Parish Clerk of Stanhope at this date.
‡BARTHOLOMEW = Demises mess. at Wols. to Chapman, 1596: cf. Humb. Survey, 1569.—Tents. in Shotton. Farms King's revenues, at Walworth, 1607.
Alice Chapman, vidua, of Wols.
§Ralf = ? of Hollcoate, Langley. ? Bur. at Staindrop, 1640.
Will, = Adm. 1624.
Margaret, Adm. 1624. ? Ob. spinster.
Mary.
Jane.
CHRISTOPHER = Fined at Wakerfield, 1618. Inherits from uncle Will property at Wakerfield, 1626.
THOMAS = of Shotton. W.P. 1672, C.P. 1 Chas., 15[illegible]. Inherits lands (163[illegible]) from father. A yeoman
Ellen, ob. 1684.
Charles, b. and ob. 1641.
George, b. 1649.
Thomas, b. 1650.
Cuthbert, b. 1653.
Margaret, b. 1636.
Elizabeth, b. 1638.
Ellen, b. 1642, ob. 1647.
Mary, alive in 1672.

* Thos. Neville, of Raby, gent., is witness to Ralf's will in 1567. This Thos. Neville's will, dated Feb. 11th, 1570, bequeaths legacies to John Emerson, of Shotton, and Lancelot Emerson, miller.

† A John Fetherstone or Fetherstonhalgh and W. Stobbs are, in 1520, sureties for Alice Hardgill, wife of Robert Emerson, of Burnhope (*vide* key pedigree). Qy. Is Ralf Senior son of Robert and Alice Hardgill?

‡ In 1607, Bartholomew is evidently living at Walworth and is farmer of the King's lands (*vide* App.).

§ In Humberstone's Survey (1569), a Ralf Emerson is a tenant at will of Hollcoate in Langley. Qy. Is he this Ralf?

All the registers in which this family are begin after 1635, *e.g.*, Staindrop, where Ralf was buried, Cockfield, Wols., Witton-le-Wear, etc., etc.

By the Staindrop Register we see a Ralf Emerson, of Shotton, buried April, 1640. Of course this is no proof that this is Ralf, the son of Ralf of the will, but it is possible.

There are many Emersons, of Shotton, later on. They may have migrated from elsewhere, descended from the John, of Shotton, the Emerson mentioned in Ralf's will, or from some of Ralf's sons. In this connection those interested should study the Staindrop Register, and the registers* of Cockfield, Sedgefield, Wolsingham, Witton-le-Wear, Hamsterly, Auckland, Barnard Castle and Stanhope. I have been unable to connect Ralf, of Shotton, with any of

* Unfortunately many of these registers are lost or imperfect.—*Vide* Appendix.

them on sure or even probable grounds, so I have left it. Ralf, of Shotton, was a tenant of the Nevilles, and probably a parker or forester in their service, and John, of Shotton, in gaol in Durham in Jan., 1570, was in all probability the same John mentioned in Ralf's will, and probably his brother. On the whole I am inclined to doubt that Ralf, of Shotton, was the armiger, because of his description as a "husbandman," of his grandson's description as a "yeoman," and since none of the family claimed arms at the 1575 Visitation of Co. Durham, and we know many of them were living there at the time. I think the real Ralf armiger will be found in some other part of the country and that he was merely a temporary resident at Foxton when the arms were granted to him—possibly in connection with the dissolution of the Foxton Knights Hospitallers, the owners of Foxton Manor until 1534.

Ralf, the son of Ralf, was possibly Ralf, of Brancepeth, a copy of whose will, dated 1581 (no date of probate), is in the Durham Probate Registry. He left a wife, Isabel (probably Isabel Chopling), and two sons, John and George, and a daughter Mary, who married Nicholas Fetherstonhaugh—possibly a cousin. This Ralf held half of Stanley Manor with the said Nicholas Fetherstonhaugh, was a retainer of the better sort in Muster Roll, 1569, being a light horseman, *armed* and horsed, possibly a forester to the Earl of Westmoreland in succession to his father. He remained loyal to the Queen, however. He was sent as a messenger to Thos. Cromwell, Secretary of State to Henry VIII., by the Earl of Westmoreland from Brancepeth. Now curiously enough a John Emerson, his son in all probability, follows Lady Westmoreland into Norfolk after the failure of the rebellion and takes a message to Queen Elizabeth from Lady Westmoreland from Fremingham. The question is, did this John remain in Norfolk and have a family, for in 1600—1700 we find numerous Emersons at and near Fremingham. I cannot prove that Ralf, of Brancepeth, was the son of Ralf, of Shotton, nor do I think this possible—(1) because they were both in well-to-do positions; (2) because of their connection with the Nevilles; (3) because of their near relationship to the Fetherstonhaughs.

In Weardale two quite modern Emerson families have ventured to practice this unfortunate heraldic snobbery in religious edifices.* In St. John's Chapel is a memorial window, with Ralf of Foxton's arms, to Edward Emerson, who died in 1858 at Hotts, near St. John's Chapel, and a brass in memory of Thomas Emerson, of Newhouse, who died in 1817. In one case the arms are *wrongly* emblazoned, the or and vert being transposed. It is needless to say that neither of these persons had any right whatsoever to arms, and the minister in charge of St. John's Chapel would be doing a good service to heraldry and honesty if he were to insist on their instant removal. Such monuments do but bring ridicule on the families who erected them and on the innocent dead lying beneath.

(II.)

Emerson, Alexander, Gent., of Serby, Co. Lincoln.

Bears a field azure on a bend argent three torteaux gules. No crest or motto. The Richmond Herald informs me "that it is not known to whom these arms were originally granted, but that they were *allowed* to Alexander Emerson, of Serby, Co. Lincoln, in 1634 (*vide* official pedigree), and that the family have never established a right to a crest." It is a pre-Tudor coat, then, and probably the oldest authentic Emerson coat. Here are Messrs. Burke, Fairbairn & Co. misleading us again. They give as the crest of this family *clouds issuant rays of the sun all proper*, and the family never had and has no right whatever to a crest of any kind. No motto was registered either at the Visitations of 1634 and 1666.

Herewith are given a copy of the arms and certified pedigrees of the family as recorded at the College of Arms. The family does not seem in recent years to have registered their pedigree, but I have given their unregistered pedigree under the Emersons of Co. Lincoln. All that is not given in the certified copy herewith I will not vouch for, as no proofs were supplied with the statements, and to obtain the right to use these arms the present legal descendants of Alexander Emerson, of Serby (1634), must register their pedigrees to date. I have made some remarks on this coat under Thomas Emerson, of Bradbury and Blackfriars (*q.v.* under Emersons of Co. Surrey). It will be observed from the official pedigrees that one of the family changed his name to Amcotts, and received a knighthood for Parliamentary services, but he went out in female issue.

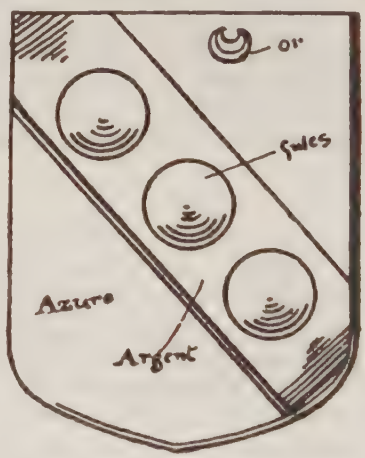
* "All Around Stanhope," W. M. Egglestone, p. 176.

I have endeavoured to trace the full number of direct lineal descendants of Alexander Emerson, armiger, 1634, who would be entitled to bear the arms now, could they prove legal and legitimate descent from him. Certainly they are not numerous, as many of his descendants died without issue or fell into female issue. This old family of Emersons are probably descended from John Em^{9}son, gent., of Folkingham, Co. Lincoln, whose will (p. 1541) is published in the Appendix, whose cousin William, of London, is mentioned in the will, which William was probably the founder of the Southwark Emersons—an important family fully described under the Emersons of Co. Surrey (*q.v.*). It was a member of this Surrey family who carved his arms on the Durham Cross, 1612, and on the Kail Cross at Newcastle at the same period, viz., Thomas Emerson, who was a barrister and steward of the Earl of Somerset for the Brancepeth and Raby properties.

The Lincolnshire family probably came from Durham *via* Yorkshire. Alexander Emerson, to whom the arms were granted, was a distinguished chancellor-at-law, and a man of large family, he having married thrice—firstly, his cousin Elizabeth Emerson; secondly, Esther Metcalf, daughter of Sir J. Metcalf, of Louth Park; thirdly, Frances Kelke, daughter of R. Kelke, ar. I discovered the two latter marriages, and the Richmond Herald kindly compared the signatures of the two Alexanders signing their pedigrees at the College and says they are undoubtedly the same writing, which corroborates what I had arrived at by a study of the records.

Many of the family settled in Nottinghamshire, and for further particulars see the Emersons of Co. Lincoln and Co. Surrey. To the latter branch of the family, however, there is no record of the arms having been allowed, though they used and claimed them, and some of them are described in public documents (as the Close Rolls, *q.v.*) as armigers.

A family of *Emotsons* (barbers), originating at Thorney Abbey, married into this Lincolnshire family and changed their names and impudently assumed the arms, but they have no right whatever to them. I have given their pedigree in the Emersons of Co. Lincoln—some of these Emotsons being now called Eminson—both Emotson and Eminson being as distinct from Emerson as are Jones or Smith. As it stands, then, *nobody* at present may use these arms, as pedigrees of the legitimate heirs have not been registered to date—the College ignoring the existence of all persons not registered; but the legitimate heirs (some of whom are given in the Emersons of Co. Somerset) could with very little trouble and expense register up to date, and I trust they will do so. These arms, too, are carved on tombs in Burnham Thorpe churchyard (Co. Norfolk) in memory of various members of a certain Isaac Emerson's family. The tombs are dated 1737, 1769, 1786, 1806 and 1807. But I regard these people as imposters, *vide* pedigree of Lincolnshire Emersons, in which none of their names occur. In Gunthorpe churchyard there is a slab with the same arms in memory of a certain Charles Thomas Emerson and his family, but I can find no authority for this family using them, nor are they entitled to them, and being quite modern they should be at once removed by the clergyman in charge.



A.

George Emerson, = of Serby, in Co. Linc.

Alexander Emerson, = 2 sonn, of Serby, aforesaid. | Jennetta, daur. of John Hornsey, of Bonby, in Co. Linc.

Edward Emerson, = 1 sonn.

Michaell Emerson, = eldest sonn, of Serby, now liuing, 1634. | Anne, dau. of Mathew Metcalfe, of Bellerby, in the Co. of York.

Robert Emerson, = of Cadney, in the County of Linc. | Ellin, dau. of ..... Lightley, of .....

Alexander Emerson = | Ann, dau. of ..... Harison, of .....

Alexander Emerson, = sonn and heir now liuing, Councellor-at-Law, of Lincolnes Inn, 1634. | Elizabeth, one of the dau. and coh. of Alexander Emerson.

Anne, = younger dau. and coh. | Joseph Lark.

Thomas, sonn and hr. apparent, 1634, about 6 yeares old.

Anne.

Elizabeth.

(Signed) Mi. Emerson. 1634.

(Signed) Alexander Emerson.

I hereby certify the above written pedigree to be faithfully extracted from the Heralds' Visitation of Lincoln, A.D. 1634, and examined therewith by me.

2nd May, 1894.

G. Ambrose Lee, Bluemantle.

B.

ROBERT EMERSON, of Serby, in Com. Lincoln. = Ellinor., da. of ..... Wainright.

- Michaell, 2d. sonn, *obijt.* S.P.
- *ALEXANDER EMERSON, of Serby and Castor, in Com. Lincoln, Ar., Justice of ye Peace. Ano. 1666, *at.* 63. = Eliz., da. of Alexander Emerson, of Glamford Brigges, in Com. Lincoln.
  - THOMAS EMERSON, of Grimsby and of Castor, in Com. Lincoln, gt., *æt.* 38. Ano. 1666. = Mildred, da. of Thomas Saunderson, of Lincolnes Inne, Ar. Brother to Nicholas, first Ld. Viscount Castleton.
    - Thomas, 2.
    - Michael, 3.
    - Alexander, sonne and heire, *æt.* 15, Ano. 1666.
    - Mildred.
  - Anne, vx. Robt. Sands.
  - Eliz., vx. Wm. Bernard.

(Signed) THO. EMERSON.

I hereby certify the above written pedigree to be faithfully extracted from the Heralds' Visitation of Lincoln, A.D. 1666, and examined therewith by me.

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C.

*ALEXANDER EMERSON (Az. on a bend arg. three torteaux.) = Frances Kelke. (Sa. a bend flory, counterflory arg.)

- Dorothy Emerson. (Az. on a bend arg. three torteaux.)
- Francis Emerson. (Az. on a bend arg. three torteaux.)
- Alexander Emerson. (Az. on a bend arg. three torteaux.)
- Michaell. (Az. on a bend arg. three torteaux.)
- Ester. (Az. on a bend arg. three torteaux.)
- Susanna. (Az. on a bend arg. three torteaux.)

Extracted from the records of the College of Arms, London, and examined therewith this 23rd day of June, 1897.

CHARLES H. ATHILL, *Richmond Herald of Arms.*

* Identical with the above. F. Kelke his third wife.—P.H.E.

D.

ALEXANDER EMERSON, of Caister, Co. Lincoln, Esquire. =

ALEXANDER EMERSON, of West Retford, Co. Nottingham, Esquire. Died Dec., 1745, aged about 85, buried at Sereby. 1st husband. = Elizabeth, dau. of Reverend ..... Boswell, or Bosseville, of ....., Co. Northampton, married in 1736. Died in 1791, buried at Louth, Co. Lincoln, *æt.* 80. = Reverend Stephen Ashton, Vicar of Louth, Co. Lincoln. Died S.P. 2nd husband.

- ALEXANDER EMERSON, of West Retford House, Co. Nottingham. Born at Caister, Co. Lincoln, in 1746. Living 1796. = Susannah, 2nd dau. and co-heir of Patrick Lyon, of West Retford, Esquire, an officer in the army. Married at St. Clement Danes, Co. Middlesex, 1771. Living 1796.
  - ALEXANDER LYON EMERSON. Born at Binfield, Co. Berks, in May, 1772.
  - Lyona Harriet Emerson. Born at West Retford, *æt.* 21, in 1796.
- Elizabeth, widow of Thomas Massingberd, son of William Massingberd, of Gunby, Co. Lincoln, Esquire.
- WHARTON EMERSON, of Kettlethorpe Park, Co. Lincoln, and of East Retford, Co. Nottingham, Esquire, some time Burgess in Parliament for Retford. Born at Hackthorne, Co. Lincoln, in Feb., 1739—40, assumed the surname and arms of Amcott only by Sign Manual, dated 18th May, 1777. = Anna Maria, eldest dau. and co-heir of Vincent Amcott, of Harrington and Aistrop, Co. Lincoln. Born at Harrington, married at the Chequer Church, Lincoln, 16th April, 1762. Living 1796.
  - Sir John Ingilby, of Ripley Park, Co. York, Baronet. Born 9th May, 1758. Living 1796. = Elizabeth, only dau. and heir apparent. Born at Harrington, 24th June, 1763, married at Kettlethorpe aforesaid, 25th Oct., 1780. Living 1796.

Extracted from the records of the College of Arms, London, and examined therewith this 26th day of October, 1896.

CHARLES H. ATHILL, *Rihmond Herald of Arms.*

In the *collections* of the College of Arms, London, are to be found the following items concerning this family:—

Pulman MS.—Marriage of Emerson and Wharton. Brooke MS.—Marriage of Emerson-Amcotts. Courthorpe MS.—Pedigrees of Emerson from Visitation of Lincoln to 1808 and a pedigree from Visitation of Lincoln down to Elizabeth Emerson, wife of Sir John Ingelby, Bart. Larken MS.—A careful pedigree of the Lincolnshire Emersons.

Burke gives a Royal descent of this family through the Lushingtons. I do not know how much of it could be legally proven, but it is printed elsewhere.

In the *Records* of the College of Arms, London, is a Royal licence for the change of name, Emerson to Amcotts.

(III.)

EMERSON, ARTHUR, GENT., OF DUBLIN, IRELAND.

Bears: *vide* grant herewith reproduced; no pedigree or motto registered.

To all and Singular as well Noblemen and Gentlemen as others to whome these presents shall come I Sir Richard Carney Knt: Ulster King of Armes of all Ireland send Greeting. Know yee that whereas it hath beene the most antient custome of all well governed Kingdoms that ye desearving acts of worthy persons should be recomended to posterity by Sundry Monuments of their good desearts amongst which the chiefest and most usuall have been the bearing of Signes and Tokens on shields commonly caled Armes which were diversely distributed according to the quality of the person meriting the same to the intent that such persons as have done Service to their Prince or Country either in Warr or Peace may not only receive due honour in their owne lives, but that the same may remaine as an hereditary mark of honor to their posterity for ever. And whereas Arthur Emerson late of Durham Gent., and now of the City of Dublin haveing requested me to make search in my Office for what Armes he may lawfully beare to distinguish him without prejudice to any other of his name or family and upon search thereof I finde he may lawfully beare these Armes and Crest following viz: Party per fess Dauncette Or and Vert, on a Bend Engrailed Gules between Two Roundles Counterchanged 3 Lyons Passant Argent, and for his Crest on a Helmet and Wreath of his colours A Demy Lyon Vert, charged with 5 Besants, holding a Pole-Ax, Or, Mantled Gules, Doubled Argent as in the margint above depicted more plainly doth appeare. Which Armes and Crest and every part & parcel thereof, I the said Ulster King of Armes by the Powre and Authority to me granted under the Great Seale of Ireland do hereby give, grant, ratifie, and confirm unto the said Arthur Emerson and his Posterity for ever, by these presents the same to use, beare, and enjoy at all times, and upon all occasions giveing their due difference according to the Law of Armes, without lett, trouble or controlement of any manner of person or persons whatsoever. In full Testimony whereof I have hereunto Subscribed my Name and Title, and affixed the Seale of my Office this tenth day of May Anno Domini 1692.

This is a true copy of the original record.

College of Arms, London,
16*th November*, 1896.

CHARLES H. ATHILL,
Richmond Herald.

This exemplification was granted to Arthur Emerson, gent., of Dublin, in 1692.

From this grant we gather Arthur Emerson came from Co. Durham. It would be idle to spend much time in conjecturing from what Durham family he originated, but I would venture to suggest he may have been the son of Brian Emerson, who was disclaimed in 1615. For by an indenture in the Book of Merchant Adventurers, Newcastle, Arthur Emerson, the son of Bryan Emerson, yeoman, of the Eastgate, in Co. Durham, was on 20th of April, 1613, apprenticed to William Jennison the elder, merchant adventurer, for 10 years. Indenture dated 20th of June, 1612. Arthur finally became a merchant adventurer, and possibly went to Dublin to set up business. He registered* no pedigree, or at least there is none on record at the College of Arms in Dublin, so that his arms, too, are nobody's to-day, and any Irishman imagining himself to be a descendant must prove his pedigree back to the grantee, which should be no difficult matter if there are any of his descendants, and to such I would suggest continuing the search for the link that binds Arthur to Brian in the direction I have indicated, and if the disclaimer and Arthur were father and son then my key pedigree will help the searchers on a step or two higher, for the disclaimer of 1615 was always well to do, at least for those days.—*Vide* my subsequent notes on the disclaimers. Though this *Arthur Emerson*, of Dublin, was granted an exemplification there is no evidence of any kind that he was related to Ralf, of Foxton, indeed the evidence is all the other way—but I have remarked upon this elsewhere. I cannot find his will at Dublin, but I have record of his daughter marrying Sir Anthony Percy, Lord Mayor of Dublin, in 1699.

* On the authority of the Richmond Herald.

(IV.)

Emerson-Tennent, Sir James, of Tempo Manor, Co. Fermanagh, Ireland.

Bears: *vide* original grant printed herewith.

To all and Singular to whom these Presents shall come I Sir John Bernard Burke Ulster King of Arms and Principal Herald of all Ireland, Knight Attendant on the Most Illustrious Order of St. Patrick LL.D. do hereby certify and declare that the Armorial Bearings above depicted vizt. Quarterly:—1st and 4th Argent a Boar's head erased Gules between two Crescents in pale Sable, a Canton of the last, 2nd and 3rd per fesse indented Vert and Azure a bend engrailed Argent charged with three Lions passant Vert bezanté, in the sinister chief an Elephant's head erased Or. Crests 1st a Boar's head erased Gules charged with two Crescents in fesse Or. 2nd a demi-Lion rampant Vert bezanté gorged with an Eastern Crown Or & holding in the paws a battle-axe Staff gules axe Argent. Motto "Deus protector noster" do of right belong and appertain unto Sir James Emerson Tennent of Tempo Manor in the County of Fermanagh, Knight, and (without the Canton in the 1st and 4th quarters) unto his descendants with their due and proper differences according to the Laws of Arms. In Witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my Name this fifteenth day of February in the Thirtieth year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lady Victoria, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen Defender of the Faith and so forth, and in the Year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven.

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College of Arms, London.
11*th November*, 1896.

Charles H. Athill,
Richmond Herald.

William Emerson, of Belfast, in the County of Antrim. Born at Ardmore, County Armagh, in 1759, died at Belfast, 1821, buried at Ballylesson, in the County of Down. = Sarah, youngest daughter of William Arbuthnot, of Rockville, in the County of Down. Married at Dromore, County Down. Died 1851, burd. at Ballylesson aforesd.

William Tennent, of Tempo Manor, in the County of Fermanagh, and of Belfast, Banker. Died 23rd July, 1832, buried at Belfast aforesd. = Eleanor, daughter of Hugh Jackson, of Cremorne, County Monaghan, deceased.

- Eliza Emerson, wife of William Suffern, of Belfast.
- George Emerson. Born 4th July, 1792. Deceased.
- Arbuthnot Emerson. Born 22nd June, 1802. Deceased.
- Sir James Emerson-Tennent, of Tempo Manor aforesd, Knight, LL.D. Born 7th April, 1804, bapt. in the Parish Church of Belfast, assumed the additional Surname and Arms of Tennent in 1832, and had a confirmation thereof under Royal Licence bearing date at St. James's, Feby., 1867. = Letitia Tennent, only daughter and heiress of William Tennent, of Tempo Manor aforesaid. Born 27th February, 1806. Married 24th June, 1831, at Belfast.
  - *William William Emerson-Tennent, Born 14th May, 1835, bapt. at Belfast.
  - Eleanor Emerson-Tennent.
  - Edith Sarah Emerson-Tennent. Died unmarried, buried at Kensall Green, Co. Middlesex.

This is a true copy of the original record.

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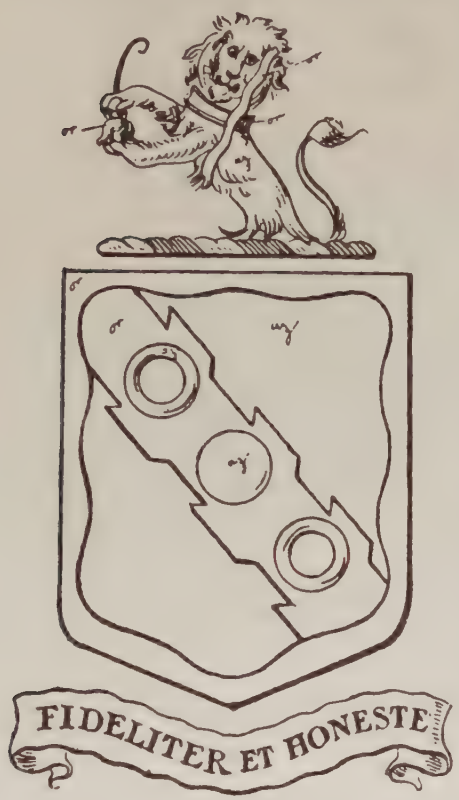
11*th November*, 1896.

Charles H. Athill,
Richmond Herald.

* Died without issue.—P. H. E.

It will be seen the Emerson portion of this coat is an *exemplification* of Ralf of Foxton's arms. Sir James Emerson-Tennent evidently could not register pedigree beyond his father, yet it being the Irish College of Arms an exemplification of an *English* family's arms was granted to him. The low state of Irish and Scotch heraldry is well known and this is another unfortunate example of it. James Emerson took the name of Emerson-Tennent and was granted arms by Sir John Bernard Burke, Ulster King of Arms. His arms, patent and certified pedigree are printed above. The only son, William William, died without issue, so that beyond

quarterings on the female side this coat is already extinct, though heraldic stationers have been supplying the late Sir James' registered motto, "*Deus Protector noster*," freely with Ralf of Foxton's coat and a spurious crest belonging to nobody, to whomsoever chose to pay them for their dishonesty. There is no record whatever of Sir James Emerson-Tennent's origin and will; I can find only two Irish wills before 1700. It is to be hoped that Irish Heralds will never grant an exemplification of Ralf of Foxton's arms to an Irishman, but invent fresh coats for new grantees. Nothing can be more calculated to bring heraldry into disrepute than such practices.



(V.)

EMERSON, JAMES, ESQUIRE, OF STOKESLEY, CO. YORKSHIRE.

Bears, azure on a bend raguly or a hurt between two annulets of the field a bordure wavy of the second. Crest, a demi-lion guardant erased azure holding between the paws a hawk's lure and gorged with a plain collar or....Motto, "*Fideliter et honeste.*" This exemplification of the Lincolnshire arms was allowed to James Emerson, of Stokesley, by patent dated Nov. 2nd, 1845. A drawing of the arms is given herewith, and the legal pedigree as registered in the College of Arms is appended.

JAMES EMERSON, of Easby Hall, in the parish of Stokesley, North Riding, Co. York, J.P. for the said North Riding. Born 3rd Sept., 1824. Died 15th Jan., 1892, buried in the Mausoleom at Easby Hall. = Ann Dorothy, only child of Eleazer Biggins, of Stokesley aforesaid. Married at Hartlepool, Co. Durham, 30th July, 1846. Died 17th May, 1880, buried in the Mausoleum at Easby Hall.

JOHN JAMES EMERSON, of Easby Hall aforesaid, J.P., North Riding, Co. York, LL.D. University of Cambridge. Barrister-at-Law (Inner Temple). Eldest son and heir. Born 21st May, 1847. Bapt. at Stokesley 18th June same year. Living 1897. = Frances Mary Eleanor, eldest dau. of Melville Francis Evatt, Colonel Bengal Staff Corps. Married at St. James's, Croydon, Co. Surrey, 20th April, 1876. Living 1897.

ELEAZER BIGGINS EMERSON, of Tollesby Hall, Marton, North Riding, Co. York, J.P. for the said North Riding. B.A. Cambridge University, 2nd son. Born 23rd Sept., 1848. Bapt. at Stokesley 23rd Nov. same year. Living 1897. = Mary, eldest dau. of John Mackean, of Dumbarton, N.B. Married at Redcar, North Riding, Co. York, 20th June, 1876. Died 27th Feb., 1894, buried in the Mausoleum at Easby Hall.

CHARLES ARTHUR EMERSON, of Deighton Manor, North Riding, Co. York, 3rd and youngest son. Born 6th Mar., 1857. Bapt. at Stokesley the day following. Living unmarried 1897.

James John Emerson.
Born 4th May, 1878. Bapt. at North Otterington, 12th June same year.
Living unmarried 1897.

Ethel Mary Alice Maud.
Born 21st July, 1877. Bapt. at Redcar aforesaid, 22nd Aug. same year.
Living unmarried 1897.

Constance Ann Dorothy.
Born 4th Aug., 1878. Bapt. at Redcar 7th same month.
Living unmarried 1897.

Extracted from the records of the College of Arms, London, and examined therewith this 28th day of June, 1897.

CHARLES H. ATHILL,
Richmond Herald of Arms.

Those entitled to bear these arms at present are:—James John Emerson, LL.D. (Cantab.), J.P., Esq., Easby Hall, Gt. Ayton, Co. York; Eleazer Biggins Emerson, B.A. (Cantab.), J.P., Esq., of Tollesby Hall; Charles Arthur Emerson, gent., of Manor House, Deighton, Northallerton; and their issue as per annexed pedigree. For a fuller account of this Yorkshire sporting family see under Emersons of Co. York.

NOTE I.—In the Visitation of Yorkshire, 1563—4, is recorded "Mawde, dau. of Jane and William Percehay, wyff to Lyonell Emerson." I have been unable to connect this Lyonell Emerson to any family.

NOTE II.—In the Visitation of Gloucestershire, 1623, is recorded the following short pedigree :—

Walter Strange. = Elizabeth.
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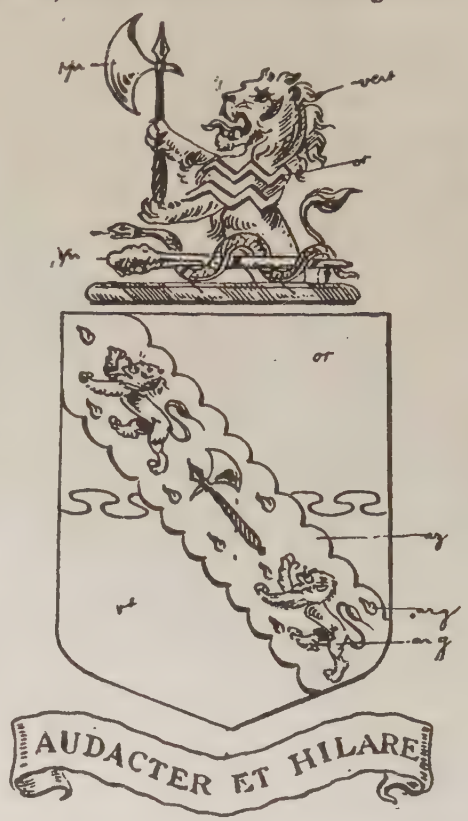
Gertrude, ux. Thomas Emerson.

I have been unable definitely to identify this Thomas Emerson; he was evidently the "Filacer" mentioned in John Farewell's will, and was in all probability one of the Southwark family (*q.v.*).

(VI.)

EMERSON, PETER HENRY, GENT., OF OULTON, CO. SUFFOLK.



Bears, per fesse nebuly or and vert, on a bend invected azure guttée d'eau a battle-axe between two lions passant argent. Mantling or and vert. Crest, on a wreath of the colours, in front of a demi-lion vert charged on the shoulders with two burrulets dancettée or, holding in the dexter paw and resting on the sinister paw a battle axe erect, a club fessewise entwined with a serpent proper. Motto, "*Audacter et Hilare.*"

This exemplification of Ralf of Foxton's arms was allowed to P. H. Emerson, gent., M.B., B.A. (Cantab.), by patent dated Sept. 24th, 1897. Dr. P. H. Emerson and his children alone are entitled to use this coat. For further particulars of this family see following notes and the Emersons of Co. Suffolk.

Herewith certified copy of drawing of arms and legal pedigree, as registered at the College of Arms, London, and reprint of original grant.

To all and Singular to whom these Presents shall come Sir Albert William Woods Knight Commander of the most honorable Order of the Bath and Knight Commander of the most distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Garter, principal King of Arms and George Edward Cokayne, Esquire, Clarenceux, King of Arms of the South East and West Parts of England from the River Trent Southwards send Greeting. Whereas Peter Henry Emerson of Oulton in the County of Suffolk, member of the Royal College of Surgeons of England, Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Medicine in the University of Cambridge, hath represented unto The Most Noble Henry Duke of Norfolk Earl Marshall and Hereditary Marshall of England and one of her Majesty's most Honorable Privy Council that being desirous that Armorial Bearings may be established and recorded to him under legal Authority, he therefore requested the favour of his Grace's Warrant for Our granting and assigning such arms and crest as may be proper to be borne by him and his descendants according to the Laws of Arms And Forasmuch as the said Earl Marshall did by Warrant under his hand and seal bearing Date the fourteenth day of June last authorise and direct Us to grant and assign such Armorial Ensigns accordingly know Ye therefore that the said Garter and Clarenceux in pursuance of His Graces Warrants and by Virtue of the Letters Patent of Our several offices to each of us respectively granted do by these Presents Grant and Assign unto the said Peter Henry Emerson the Arms following that is to say Per fesse nebuly Or and Vert on a bend invected Azure Guttée d'eau a Battle axe between two Lions passant Argent And for the Crest On a Wreath of the Colours in front of a Demi-Lion Vert charged on the shoulder with two Barrulets dancette Or, holding in the dexter paw and resting on the sinister paw a Battle axe Erect, a Club fesse wise entwined with a Serpent proper, as the same are in the margin hereof more plainly depicted to be borne and used forever hereafter by him the said Peter Henry Emerson and his descendants with due and proper differences according to the Laws of Arms In Witness whereof We the said Garter and Clarenceux Kings of Arms have to these Presents subscribed Our names and affixed the Seals of Our several offices this twenty-fourth day of September in the Sixty-first year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lady Victoria by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen, Defender of the Faith, etc., and in the year of our Lord One Thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

ALBERT W. WOODS, Seal. *Garter.* G. E. COKAYNE, Seal. *Clarenceux.*

On the back of the Patent is written the following :—

Recorded in the College of Arms, London.
EDWARD BELLASIS (*Lancaster and Registrar*). Passed by CHARLES H. ATHILL, *Richmond Herald.*

In the drawing "depicted in the margin" the mantling is or and vert, and the motto registered is "*Audacter et Hilare.*"

THOMAS EMERSON, of Ipswich, Co. Essex, in the province of Massachusetts Bay, New England, at which place he settled in or before the year 1638. Died 1st of May, 1666. Will dated 31st May, 1663, proved in May, 1666, in the Essex Probate Court, Massachusetts aforesaid. = Elizabeth. Living 1653.

BREWSTER

Elizabeth, dau. of Robert Woodmansey. (1st wife) = JOSEPH EMERSON, of Ipswich aforesaid, Minister of the town of Mendon, Co. Suffolk, province of Massachusetts Bay. Living 1653. Admon. granted at Boston, New England, 10th Mar., 1679–80, to Elizabeth, the widow. = Elizabeth Bulkeley (2nd wife). Living 1679.

John Emerson. Living 1653 and 1660.

James Emerson. Living in England 1653 and 1660.

Nathaniel Emerson, of Ipswich aforesaid. Living 1653. Died 20th Dec., 1712, aged 82. Buried in the High Street Burial Ground at Ipswich aforesaid.

Elizabeth, wife of John Fuller in 1653.

oseph Emerson, = Boston, New ngland. Living 553.

JAMES EMERSON, of Ipswich and of Mendon aforesaid. Living 1717 and 1718. = Sarah. Living 1717.

Peter Emerson, of Reading, Co. Middlesex, province of Massachusetts Bay aforesaid. Living 1708. = Anna. Living 1708.

Ebenezer Emerson, of Reading, Co. Middlesex aforesaid. Living 1708. = Bethia. Living 1708.

*Edward Emerson, of Charlestown, Co. Middlesex aforesaid. Living 1708. = Rebecca. Living 1708.

Daniel Emerson, of Boston, Co. Suffolk, province of Massachusetts Bay aforesaid. Living 1708.

Jane, ife in 1706 of homas Orcut, of lingham, Co. Suffolk aforesaid.

James Emerson, of Uxbridge, Co. Worcester, province of Massachusetts Bay aforesaid. Born at Ipswich aforesaid, 13th March, 1692. Living 1747.

JOHN EMERSON, of Uxbridge aforesaid. Born at Ipswich 9th June, 1694. Will dated 12th July, 1768, Cod. 3rd Dec., 1774. Proved in the Worcester Probate Court, Massachusetts. = Mary Rise, of Reading, Co. Middlesex aforesaid. Married at Mendon aforesaid, 23rd Nov., 1721.

Joseph Emerson, of Reading aforesaid. Born at Ipswich, 18th Dec., 1696. Died ante. 1747.

Ebenezer Emerson. Living 1747.

Nathaniel Emerson, of Douglas, Co. Worcester aforesaid. Born at Mendon aforesaid, 19th Aug., 1701. Living 1747.

Elizabeth, wife of ..... Taft, of Uxbridge in 1747.

John Emerson. orn at Mendon foresaid, 6th Sept., 722. Eldest son in 1768.

Thomas Emerson. Born at Mendon, 2nd Feb., 1725–6. Living 1768.

James Emerson. Living 1768.

LUKE EMERSON, of Uxbridge aforesaid. Born there 14th Oct., 1733. Died 4th Nov., 1774. Will dated 20th Oct., 1774, proved at the Worcester Probate Court, Massachusetts, 2nd Dec. following. = Ruth Emerson. Married at Uxbridge aforesaid, 30th April, 1755. Living 1774.

Ezekiel Emerson. Born at Uxbridge, 14th of Feb., 1735. Living 1768.

Mary, Eldest dau. Born at Uxbridge, 17th Sept., 1730. Living unmarried 1763.

Sarah, Born at Uxbridge, 14th Jan., 1740. Living 1768.

Phœbe. Born at Uxbridge, 17th Aug., 1743.

Hannah. Born at Uxbridge, 29th March, 1747. Living 1768.

David Emerson. Eldest son. Born 0th Nov., 1755. ied 17th Jan., 1756.

Reuben Emerson. 2nd son, twin with Rhoda. Born 30th Jan., 1763. Died 7th Feb, same year.

John Emerson. 3rd son. Born 3rd March, 1766. Living 1774.

THOMAS EMERSON, of Uxbridge aforesaid, of Rochester, Vermont; of Plattsburg, New York; and of Green Creek, Co. Sandusky, Ohio; all in the United States of America. 4th son. Born at Uxbridge, 20th Aug., 1773. Baptised there 22nd same month. Died 7th Nov., 1825. Buried at Oakwood Cemetery, Fremont, Ohio, 9th same month. Will dat. 7th Nov., 1825, proved in the Sandusky Probate Court 10th same month. = Margery, dau. of Jesse and Rachel Morse, of Uxbridge aforesaid. Born 22nd April, 1773. Married at Rochester, Vermont aforesaid, 1795. Died 12th Jan., 1826. Buried at Oakwood Cemetery aforesaid, 14th same month.

Ruth. Eldest dau. Born 14th Feb., 1758. Living unmarried 1774.

Susannah. 2nd dau. Born 6th May, 1760. Living unmarried 1774.

Rhoda. 3rd dau., twin with Reuben. Born 30th Jan., 1763. Died 10th Feb. same year.

Louis. 4th dau. Born 20th Feb., 1764. Living 1774.

Rhoda. 5th dau. Born 11th March, 1768. Living 1774.

Sally. 6th dau Born 10th Jan., 1771. Living 1774.

emarcus Emerson. ldest son. Born 1796. Died 1882.

Thomas Emerson. 2nd son. Born 1800. Living 1825.

Jesse Emerson. 3rd son. Born 24th Dec., 1801. Living 1825.

HENRY EZEKIEL EMERSON, of the La Palma Estate, near Sagua la Grande, Cuba, and of West Street, Wilmington, Delaware, United States of America. 4th son. Born at Rochester aforesaid, 1806. Died at Wilmington, 30th March, 1867. Buried in the Wilmington and Brandywine Cemetery, Delaware aforesaid. = Jane Harris, dau. of William Billing, of Lostwithiel, Co. Cornwall, Surgeon. Bapt. there 7th Dec., 1820. Married by the Rector of Holy Martyrs' Church, New York, U.S.A., 21st July, 1855. Married 2nd by the Rector of Holy Trinity Church, Wilmington aforesaid, 12th Nov., 1868, Nathan Woolcox Hudson, of Worcester, Massachusetts, U.S.A. Died at Grasmere, Co. Westmoreland, 7th Sept., 1881. Buried at Teignmouth, Co. Devon, 12th same month.

Stephen Cummings Emerson. 5th son. Born 8th Jan., 1809. Living 1825.

Joseph Emerson. 6th and youngest son. Born 6th Sept., 1813.

Lois. Eldest dau. Born 1798. Living 1825.

Pauline Patty. 2nd dau. Born 1803. Died in infancy.

Pauline. 3rd & youngest dau. Born 28th Aug., 1811. Living 1825.

PETER HENRY EMERSON, f Oulton, Co. Suffolk, M.B. and B.A., University of Cambridge. lder son. Born at the La Palma Estate aforesaid, 13th May, 856. Baptised there 17th June, 1857, and registered at the Church f Santa María Magdalena, Cifuentes, Cuba. Living 1897. = Edith Amy, youngest dau. of Joseph Ainsworth, of The Thorns, Bolton-le-Moors, Co. Pal. Lancaster. Born there 28th Jan., 1854. Baptised at St. Paul's, Astley Bridge, Co. Lancaster, 9th Oct. following. Married at Rivington, Co. Lancaster, 22nd June, 1881. Living 1897.

Just William Emerson, B.A., University of Cambridge, 2nd and younger son. Born at the La Palma Estate aforesaid, 28th May, 1863. Died 2nd of March, 1893. Buried in the Oakwood Cemetery, Fremont, Ohio, U.S.A.

Jane Billing. Only dau. Born at the La Palma Estate aforesaid, 27th May, 1859. Died at Wilmington aforesaid, 20th May, 1865. Buried in the Wilmington and Brandywine Cemetery.

Leonard Ainsworth Emerson. Born at Cambridge, 12th May, 1882, and baptised there 26th July following.

Ralf Billing Emerson. 2nd son. Born at Oulton aforesaid, 3rd July, 1897.

Sybil. Eldest dau. Born at Cambridge, 21st Jan., 1884. Baptised at St. Benet's, Cambridge, 13th June following.

Gladys. 2nd dau. Born at Hampstead, Co. London, 23rd May, 1885.

Zoë Orchis. 3rd dau. Born at Broadstairs, Co. Kent, 12th Nov., 1892.

Extracted from the records of the College of Arms, London, and examined therewith this 12th day of November, 1897.

CHARLES H. ATHILL, *Richmond Herald of Arms.*

* Ralf Waldo Emerson a direct lineal descendant of this Edward and Rebecca.—P. H. E.

NOTES TO REGISTERED PEDIGREE OF THE ENGLISH DESCENDANTS OF THOS. EMERSON, OF IPSWICH, MASSACHUSETTS BAY COLONY.

The unthinking reader will at the first glance wonder why this pedigree is included in a book on the English Emersons—mistaking it for an American pedigree. But such it is not Every name registered in the pedigree is that of an Englishman. All born before 1776 are of course natural born British subjects although colonials; thus my grandfather was a natural born British subject, he having been born in 1773, and the law is that sons and grandsons of natural born British subjects are British subjects unless they declare allegiance to other countries, so as the song puts it, "in spite of all temptation to belong to other nations," they still remain Englishmen and are registered as such.

Before giving the fuller notes on this pedigree which I here print, I must remark that I did not register them at the College, for the expense of establishing every fact by *legal evidence* and registering it is too great; for the English College of Arms will register no *items* unsupported by legal evidence, hence the great value of their pedigrees, which are accepted as evidence in any law court in the British Dominions. On the other hand, the reader must be cautioned that the same remarks do not apply to Scotch and Irish pedigrees registered at Edinburgh and Dublin, nor to Continental pedigrees. English College of Arms' pedigrees are the best and the only thoroughly reliable pedigrees in the world. The additional notes I here publish are, however, trustworthy, for the majority I have obtained from original documents, and most of the notes could be legally established and registered if desirable and money were no object.

Before proceeding, however, with these notes, we will give a glimpse of the early migrations to New England, of which Thomas Emerson and his family were atoms, as the migrations to New England are greatly misunderstood by the people in England and America, who think all Virginians are descended from gentlemen and all New Englanders from the people. Such was very far from the truth, for as many gentry went to New England as to Virginia, bondsmen and servants went to New England and Virginia, and mechanics, etc., yet free men, went to New England and to Virginia; but *no convicts* went to New England before 1643 and many went to Virginia. Indeed, great care was exercised by the New England Council in the choice of emigrants which was not the case with the Virginian Council. To state the matter simply the bulk of Englishmen who went to New England went for "freedom to worship God" in their own way, and there were two great migrations—the first beginning with the *Mayflower* people in 1620, and continuing in driblets until 1627, and the second beginning in 1628 and lasting until 1640, continuing until Laud's death and the days of the Long Parliament, when serious emigration to Massachusetts Bay ceased for nearly a century. The first exodus settled at New Plymouth, and were the original Pilgrim Fathers; the second great and important exodus founded the Massachusetts Bay Colony.

As the Rev. Dr. Brown, B.A., D.D., says in his lucid "Pilgrim Fathers of New England and their Puritan Successors," the first exodus was heroic and romantic, but death, disease and slow increase prevented its leaving its mark, whilst owing to the second exodus the British name was able to assert and retain its predominence in America and finally lead to the absorption of all other nationalities, such as the Dutch and French. At the end of the second exodus (1640) there were 26,000 souls in New England, picked from the flower of Englishmen of various classes, including some seventy graduates of Oxford and Cambridge. These emigrants include men and women of the best English families, *e.g.*, Arbella and Susan Clinton, sisters of the fourth Earl of Lincoln; J. Winthrop, Lord of Grotten Manor, Co. Suffolk; T. Johnson, of Clipsham, Co. Rutland; J. Humphrey, of Co. Kent; Mr. Craddock, of London; Sir R. Saltonstall, of Halifax; T. Griffin, of London; S. Bradstreat, son of Rev. Bradstreat, of Horbling, Leicestershire; Revs. J. Davenport. Skelton; J. Wilson; F. Higginson, of Leicester; F. Bright, of Rayleigh, Co. Essex; Captain Miles Standish, of Standish, Co. Lancaster; Vane Tempest; Rev. J. Cotton, of Derby and Boston; Deputy-Governor S Symonds, of Great Yeldham, Essex; Major-General Dennison; Rev. Peter Bulkeley, of Odell, Co. Beds; Rev. S. Whiting, of Boston; Rev. Shephard, of Towcester, Northants; Rev. Eliot, of Little Baddow, Co. Essex; Peter Hingham, of Hingham, Co. Norfolk; C. Chauncey, of Ware, Co. Herts; P. Hooker, of Chelmsford; Revs. Eaton and Devonport, of Coventry; Winslow, Brewster, Endicott, and numbers of others of good family and education.

To quote Dr. Brown *verbatim et literatim*:—"The second movement, out of which came the settlements round Massachusetts Bay and along the valley of the Connecticut river, has been justly described as the greatest effort at colonization which Englishmen had yet made. . . . . For the men who made it were not a mere band of traders bent simply on money-making, but a worthily represented body of citizens, animated with the desire of reproducing in the New World what was best in the life of the old. Some of them came from stately homes and were possessed of wealth and social position, while others had occupied influential positions as members of the Church. Before the movement had spent itself something like ninety University men, three-fourths of them from Cambridge, had emigrated to New England . . . . while all the forty counties of England were more or less represented among the emigrants to Massachusetts, the shires on the eastern side contributed far more than the rest. It is estimated that four-sixths of them were from there, one-sixth from Devonshire, Dorset and Somerset, and the remaining one-sixth from the rest of England. It is not, therefore, by accident that Boston in Lincolnshire gave its name to the chief city of New England, and that the earliest counties of Massachusetts were called Norfolk, Suffolk and Essex." It must be remembered, too, that whilst the first exodus were separatists the second were not, "for though they were Puritans in doctrine they were conformable Churchmen and loyal in their attachment to the Church of England. They themselves were anxious to emphasize the fact."—*Vide* the "Planters' Plea" Higginson, when the Cornish coast was disappearing, said, in 1629, "Farewell, dear England, farewell the Church of God in England and all the Christian friends there. We do not go to New England as separatists from the Church of England."

It has been a source of amusement to Englishmen to hear of so many Americans claiming to have gone over in the *Mayflower*, but it must be remembered that the *Mayflower* took many parties of emigrants after her first voyage in 1620; indeed, many of the second exodus went in her, hence these claims. It was in such company then that Thomas Emerson and his family emigrated in 1638 in the second exodus and to Ipswich, one of the places as will be seen later on that was peopled by the most learned and best people of this great exodus, and amongst whom he was chosen one of the "seven men" to govern the place in 1646. Thomas Emerson and his family first appear at Ipswich, Massachusetts Bay Colony, in 1638.

Ipswich was first colonized in 1634 and given the name Ipswich, it having been previously known by the Indian name Aggawam. The first settlers of Ipswich were known for their wealth and learning. "Among them were the Rev. Nathaniel Ward, author of 'The Simple Cobbler;' Rev. Nathaniel Rogers, his successor; the Rev. John Norton, the famous divine; Hon. Samuel Symonds, Deputy-Governor of Massachusetts; Mr. R. Saltonstall, son of Sir Richard Saltonstall; Mr. John Winthrop, afterwards Governor of Connecticut; Mr. Simon Bradstreat, afterwards Governor of Massachusetts; Major-General Denison, etc."* Cotton Mather says there was at Ipswich, in 1638, "a renowned church, consisting mostly of such illuminated Christians that their Pastors, in the exercise of their ministry might, in the language of Jerome, perceive that they had not disciples so much as judges." Johnson, in 1646, observes of Ipswich that "the peopling of this town is by men of good rank and quality, many of them leaving the yearly revenue of large lands in England before they came to this wilderness."

Such was the community sought by Thomas Emerson and his family in 1638 Whence they came is unknown. I have had the "licenses to go beyond the sea" for the period searched and none of this family are given; only a Jo. Emerson, of London, baker, *æt.* 20, sailing for *New England* in 1635, in the ship *Abigail*. This Jo. could not have been John, the son of Thomas, for John took his degree at Harvard College in 1656, *æt.* 21—or in other words was born ten years *after* Jo. (probably Jonathan or Joshua) of the *Abigail*. I correct this error because it has crept into the Hammett papers, having been contributed by Professor B. K. Emerson. There is no record in Hotton's List of Emigrants of Thomas and his family, and only a worthless tradition that they arrived in the ship *Elizabeth and Ann*, 1635, which tradition is nullified by the list of passengers and date of arrival. As Mr. Hotton says in his preface the departure of the better class of emigrants was often not recorded, and he gives examples in his work of such unrecorded families. They doubtless chartered vessels for themselves or took passages in private vessels And this was doubtless the case with Thomas, of Ipswich, and his family, and more especially as he evidently left England for religious reasons. Mr. Emerson soon became a prominent townsman, was deacon and one of the seven select men† (1646) chosen to govern the community. Moreover he became the possessor of various landed properties. In 1638 S. Greenfield conveyed a farm of 120 acres to Thomas Emerson, *i.e.*, Turkey Shore farm, which remained in the family for several generations. In 1648 Mr. Emerson deeds a farm of 120 acres to his son John. In 1648, too, he sells a dwelling house and a six acre lot to D. Ringe. In 1652 his son Joseph sells him 12 acres of meadow and upland (Labour-in-vain). In his

* "The Emersons in America," p. 52, by Prof. B. K. Emerson.

† Hammett Papers.

will there is no description of him, but "his faithful friends," Hon. Samuel Symonds,* Deputy-Governor, and Major-General Denison are appointed overseers and a son James "over the sea" is mentioned. I have often wondered if this James were Lieut.-Colonel James Emerson, of Tangiers, who died at Tangiers—W.P. in Principal Register, 1664—in which he left a wife Lydia and a daughter Lydia, who married Stubbings, a citizen of London. This Lieut.-Colonel James Emerson I have been so far unable to connect with any family, and he may be the man referred to in the will who is to receive a legacy "if he shall come over into this country." Thomas' inventory was valued at £251 3s. = £1255 15s. of our money, and considering that he had already given his sons lands, etc., this was a good sum of money for the period and for the colonies, where land was of course comparatively cheap. The inventory gives no utensils or implements indicating any trade or profession, but to judge from the valuation of the furniture the house must have been well furnished for the times, as "books and bibels" are valued at £2. He was buried at Ipswich, Mass., U.S.A. His eldest son, the Rev. Joseph Emerson, of Mendon, was admitted a freeman of Ipswich, Dec., 1648. He married Elizabeth Woodmansey, a daughter of Mr. Robt. and Margaret Woodmansey, of Boston and Ipswich. Mr. Woodmansey was a schoolmaster at Boston and held land at Ipswich. It is probable he was one of the ninety University men who emigrated to Massachusetts Colony between 1620 and 1640. The Rev. Joseph had two children by this marriage, Joseph, Jun., and James. In 1652 Elizabeth, his wife, had inherited land from her father, Mr. Robt. Woodmansey, and the Rev. Joseph (who is known to have been a minister as early as 1648) sold the land to his father, Mr. Thomas Emerson, the deed being dated Sept. 14th, 1652. In 1653 he was called as a minister to Wells, Maine, and took the freeman's oath there in July, 1653. It is not known exactly when he left Ipswich for Wells, Maine, where his income was £65 per annum in cash, together with a subscription from York, Maine, and the parishioners were to give sundry help. But dissension arose in the Church between the Massachusetts and Maine party and the Rev. Joseph left, being a strong adherent of the Massachusetts party. So bitter was the fight that the Massachusetts government soon afterwards disbanded the Church. The Rev. Joseph's two sons, Joseph (mentioned in his grandfather's will dated 1653) and James, were *probably* born at Wells, Maine, but not certainly as Professor B. K. Emerson says, and since the early Ipswich records are lost, the Wells records have no record of such births and the York records were burnt, the matter will probably never be cleared up. It is possible the Rev. Joseph still held some property in Maine after he left, for his grandson Joseph held some land at Falmouth, Maine—Falmouth having been formerly Wells. Professor B. K. Emerson says that after leaving Wells (1664) he went as first minister to Milton, Massachusetts, and was dismissed for asking for an increase of salary in view of his approaching second marriage, which would lead us to conclude his first wife died in Maine. Professor B. K. Emerson says he had a daughter born at Milton called Lucy Ann, b. on 2nd Oct., 1667, by his *first* wife, Elizabeth Woodmansey, but he offers no proof whatever of his statement, and since he says he was dismissed for asking for an increase of salary in view of his second marriage and since we know that he married his second wife, Elizabeth Bulkeley, daughter of Rev. Edw. Bulkeley, of Concord, and granddaughter of Rev. Peter Bulkeley,† first minister of Concord, on Dec. 7th, 1665, at Concord,‡ Professor B. K. Emerson is obviously at sea. The fact is Lucy Ann, *if* his daughter and born at Milton, Massachusetts, was the first child of his *second* marriage with Elizabeth Bulkeley, and that he was not dismissed at all for asking for an increase of salary in view of his approaching marriage. On Dec. 1st, 1669, he "settled, through the interest of the Bulkeleys," as minister of Mendon, at a salary of £45 (bettering Dr. Primrose by £5) and various contributions. Dr. Canfield sent me the agreement which is printed in Professor B. K. Emerson's book. The Rev. Joseph Emerson remained minister at Mendon until the town was partially destroyed by Indians, when he retired to Concord, where he died the 3rd of Nov., 1679,‖ and not the 3rd of Jan., 1680, as stated by Professor B. K. Emerson. He was buried at Concord, but no gravestone remains. He died intestate and the inventory of his goods is dated Oct., 1680. The inventory includes several parcels of land in Mendon, books to the value of £18, plate £10, etc., and making a total, after paying debts, of **£129 7s.** = £646 15s. of our money, not bad for a parson passing rich on £45 per annum. His widow married Captain John Browne.

The next son, Rev. John Emerson,§ was born in England in 1625 and died at Gloucester, Massachusetts, 2nd Dec., 1700. He married Ruth Symonds, daughter of Hon. Samuel Symonds, Deputy-Governor. He graduated B.A at Harvard College in 1656, *æt.* 21, and M.A. 1659, and was ordained Oct. 6th, 1663. Was first minister of Gloucester all his life at a salary of £60 per annum. He also owned a house and saw and grist mills at Gloucester, and three farms (one 250 acres, one 600 acres) at Ipswich. His will is dated 3rd Feb., 1697—8, and was probated Dec. 23rd, 1700. He names his only son John and daughters Ruth (Newman), Martha (Cogswell), Mary (Phillips), from whom Rev. Phillips Brooks, Bishop of Massachusetts, and Wendell Phillips, and through them Oliver Wendell Holmes, are descended.

His only son John Emerson, of Salem and Ipswich, was born at Ipswich, Mass., 14 May, 1670, and died June 21st, 1732. He graduated at Harvard, 1689. He married Mary Batter, and was minister of Newcastle, N.H. In 1712 he went to England for his health, and was received at Court by Queen Anne, who, in admiration, became a patron of his church at Newcastle, and sent frequent gifts to it. He was a handsome and cultured man, and unfortunately, left no male issue, his only son dying as a baby. His daughter Ann married Captain Greenleaf. So the second son of Thomas, of Ipswich, John, finally went out in female issue in the third generation.

The next son of Thomas, of Ipswich, Nathaniel, died at Ipswich in 1712, *æt.* 82. On his tombstone Ralf of Foxton's arms were carved (*vide* Chapter on Heraldry). He married Sarah, who died in 1670. Nathaniel lived in the Homestead and farmed his lands—the Turkey Shore Farm. He married secondly Lydia Wells, a widow, who died in 1716. He lived in Ipswich (Chebacco Parish). He left a large family—Elizabeth (King); John (1654—1712), m. S. Carter; Nathaniel, 1657—1738, m. Martha Woodward; Sarah, 1659; Thomas, 1671—1738, m. 1685 Philippa Perkins; Hannah (Glazier).

Concerning the son James "over the seas" we know nothing.

Elizabeth, the daughter of Thomas, of Ipswich, married J. Fuller, of Ipswich, Mass. This family of Fullers is reported to have come from Topcroft, in Norfolk, in England (not Toperton, as Professor B. K. Emerson has it); but no evidence is given by Professor B. K. Emerson, who also gives two more children of Thomas, of Ipswich, but does not support his contention by a particle of evidence. He says there was a son Thomas, who married an Elizabeth, and died in 1653 before his father *sine prole*, and a daughter Sarah, who died in 1640 (Boston Record). Professor B. K. Emerson does not quote the entry in the Boston Records, or prove the identity of the parents, Thomas, of Ipswich, and the Thomas of the Boston record; so it is unsupported. As for the son Thomas who marries Elizabeth and dies *sine prole*, I have never seen a reference to any such son in any of the records collected and supplied to me by Dr. Canfield for purposes of registering the pedigree at the College of Arms; and though I have written to Professor B. K. Emerson and Captain Gordon, Secretary of the N.E. Historical Society, I have had no iota of *proof* offered me. Mr. Gordon tells me he was a baker and sold a farm in 1650. At any rate, according to Professor B. K. Emerson, he died *sine prole*, and if he was a son of Thomas, of Ipswich, in a new country younger sons must, and elder sons may, turn their hands to anything. But I require *legal* proof of his connection with Thomas, of Ipswich, and Professor B. K. Emerson offers none.

This disposes of the second generation. Recurring now to the Rev. Joseph of Mendon's children, Joseph, Jun., married a Mary, and lived in Boston, where he died before 1708, leaving two daughters, Mary (Nokes), b. at Boston, 1677,¶ married in 1699, and Jane (Orcutt). Joseph, Jun., was mentioned in his grandfather's will, and born at Ipswich or Wells. His daughters inherited his two-sevenths of Rev. Joseph's estate—he getting two-sevenths as eldest son. The Rev. Joseph's second son, JAMES EMERSON, was born at Ipswich or Wells, Maine. He married Sarah ——, b. 1663, *ob.* at Mendon, 13 Oct., 1732, *æt.* 69. He lived at Ipswich until 1700, when he moved to Mendon. His children, Elizabeth, b. 1687 (*cf.* Savage), James, Jun., John and Joseph, were born at Ipswich, and Nathaniel at Mendon in 1701. There is no record where the other, Ebenezer, was born. James was taxed at Mendon in 1703, $509.00—a very considerable sum of money, and he owned a great deal of landed property, including the Homestead, left by his father, the Rev. Joseph, of Mendon, a property that continued in the family for some generations. He seems to have avoided death duties by giving his sons freeholds in his lifetime. These deeds of gift are recorded in deeds. In the Suffolk Deeds he is referred to as Mr. James Emerson, whereas his younger half-brothers, Edward, Peter, Ebenezer and

* The son of Richard Symonds, armiger, of Great Yealdam, Co. Essex. St. George Clarencieux, 1625.—The auntient armes of Richard Symonds, of Great Yeldam, in Com. Essex, s. of John Symonds, of Newport, in Com. Sallop, gent., are "Azure, a chevron engrailed between three trefoils or." Samuel Symonds, Deputy-Governor of Massachusetts, 1637, son of the above Richard.

† The Rev. P. Bulkeley was a graduate of St. John's College, Cambridge, and succeeded his father to the living of Odell, Co. Beds, but religious persecution drove him across the sea with £6000 = £30,000 of our money.

‡ Concord Town Records.

‖ Concord Town Records.

§ "The Emersons in America," Professor B. K. Emerson.

¶ Boston Town Records.

David, are described plainly without the Mr. Worcester Co. Land Records, Book V., p. 333, 1717: James, Sen., of Mendon, and Sarah his wife, give land to their son James, of Mendon, June, 1717. Worcester Co. Land Records, Book V., p. 393, 1717: James, Sen., and Sarah his wife, give land to their son John, of Mendon. Worcester Co. Land Records, Book X., p. 416, 1718: James, Sen., of Mendon, gives to his son Joseph, of Reading, land inherited from his father, the Rev. Joseph, of Mendon. Worcester Land Records, Book VII., p. 448, 1733: James gives land to his son Ebenezer, of Uxbridge, April 5, 1733. Worcester Land Records, Vol. XIV., p. 254: James Emerson sells to his son Nathaniel the Homestead in Mendon, May 22, 1740. The son Joseph dies intestate and *sine prole, circa* 1745—46, for John Emerson, his brother, administers his estate in Falmouth, Co. York, Maine; the inventory is given in Worcester Probate Records, Book V., p. 151½, 1745—6; and in Worcester Co. Land Records, Book XXXVIII., p. 330, there is a deed registered, dated February, 1747—8, in which James Emerson and John Emerson, of Uxbridge* (formerly Mendon), Ebenezer Emerson, of ——, and Nathaniel Emerson, of Douglass, and Elizabeth Taft (*née* Emerson, and wife of Captain Joseph Taft), *sell their brother Joseph of Reading's portion* for £500 "old tenor money," to David Taft: thus proving James was a wealthy man. In 1757 John Emerson and Eliz. Taft appeared to swear that James and Ebenezer signed certain interlined portions, and John Read swore that Nathaniel *since deceased* signed. James, Jun., we know was dead in 1757, and from this it is probable Ebenezer too was dead in 1757. James, Sen., left no will, nor is the place of his death and burial recorded; but it is known he had to keep very wide awake on account of the Indians who frequented these distr cts, and were by no means over-friendly. He farmed his own lands, and held office as the Town Surveyor. It is evident from the deed (1747) in which Joseph's brothers sell his land for £500 that James, Sen., and his wife were both dead; indeed, we know his wife died in 1732, and I have no record of James, Sen., after selling the Homestead to Nathaniel in 1740. Yet Professor B. K. Emerson says he died in 1756 at *Mendon, Mass.*, evidently confounding him with his *son* James (Jun.), who was demonstrably dead in 1757, for his brother John is, by a deed in the Worcester Probate Court, dated 17 March, 1757, appointed by Judge J. Wilder (trusting in the care and fidelity of John Emerson) guardian to Sarah Emerson, the elder, widow of James Emerson, of Uxbridge, *deceased*, in 1757—Sarah, the younger, being his eldest daughter. He had given evidence in February of the same year, 1757, to James' feebleness *re* deeding a gift of land, value £500, to his *son Jonathan* (Worcester Co. Land Records, Vol. XXXVIII., p. 159, 1757). In my opinion James, Sen., died at Re ding or Falmouth, Maine, where the family undoubtedly held some lands that belonged to Rev. Joseph and to James' son Joseph (*vide* inventory made by John Emerson).

The Rev. Joseph's third son and the first son by his second wife was Edward, born at Concord,† 26 April, 1670. Professor B. K. Emerson says he was born at Mendon—he was born at Concord. He was a shopkeeper and Justice of the Peace in Charlestown (*vide* Worcester Land Deeds, Lib. 24, p. 172). He married in 1697 Rebecca Waldo, and had three sons and a daughter, and is the direct ancestor of Ralph Waldo Emerson, viz.:—

Thos., of Ipswich. = Elizabeth.
|
Rev. Joseph, of Mendon. = 2nd wife, Elizabeth Bulkeley.
|
Edward Emerson. = Rebecca Waldo.
|
Rev. Joseph, of Malden. = Mary Moody.
|
William, Sr. = Phœbe Bliss.
|
William, Jr. = Ruth Haskins.
|
Ralf Waldo. =

The next son Peter, of Reading, a freeholder, married Anna Brown, and left a large family. The next son, Ebenezer, of Reading, also a freeholder, married Bethia Parker, and left a large family. The youngest son Daniel, of Boston, was a shipwright, and married Jane Armitage, and left a family of three. The Bulkeleys came originally from Co. Bedfordshire, England, and were of good family. Rev. Peter Bulkeley was a fellow of St. John's College, Camb., and Rector of Odell, Co. Beds.

Going back now to my direct line—the children of Mr. James Emerson, Senior, and Sarah—we come first to Elizabeth Emerson, born at Ipswich, 1687, married Captain Joseph Taft, 1708, son of Judge Robert and Sarah Taft (Taäfe). They resided at Uxbridge, where Elizabeth died in 1760. The descendants of this marriage have borne distinguished careers, having been represented in the United States Services, Legislative and Judicial Benches of Massachusetts, Vermont, Michigan, Iowa and Ohio, and in the National Executive Cabinet. The Hon. Alphonso Taft, LL.D., of Cincinnati, Ohio, judge of the Supreme Court, United States Secretary of War and Attorney-General under President U. S. Grant; United States Minister to Austria, 1882—4, and to Russia, 1884—5, was a direct lineal descendant of this Elizabeth Emerson, *sic*—

Captain Joseph Taft, of Uxbridge. = Elizabeth Emerson, m. 1708.
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Peter, b. 1715. = Elizabeth Cheney, etc.

Curiously enough, I am also related to this Taft family on my grandmother's side, viz., Margery Morse, *sic*—

Samuel Morse, of Uxbridge. = Jane Taft, of Uxbridge, dau. of Robert and Eliz. Taft.
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Jesse Morse, of Uxbridge. = Rachel Hill Allen, widow, m. in 1754.
|
Marjorie Morse, of Uxbridge, b. 1778. = Lieut. Thos. Emerson, of Rochester and Green Creek, Ohio.
(My grandparents.)

James', Jun., whom we have referred to, land and that of his brother John was separated by a brook called Emerson Brook, which name it retains to-day, the stream working many mills at Uxbridge, and a local historian says, "Emerson Brook is one of the finest trout brooks in this section."

James, Jun., married, first, Sarah Lock, Feb. 21, 1722, at Mendon, *ob.* 1734 (?). He had by her Sarah (Thayer); James, b. 1726, m. Eliz. Emerson, 1752; Jonathan, b. 1729, m. S. Marshall; Abigail, b. 1732, m. Philip Cody, 1754. He married secondly, Sarah, March, 1734, and left issue—Elizabeth, b. 1735; Susan, died in infancy. The second wife was alive in 1757, John Emerson (brother to James) being appointed her guardian by the Probate Judge in 1758 in a deed registered in the Worcester Probate Office; and she did not die in 1737, as Professor B. K. Emerson states. She was *non compos*, hence the guardianship when she became a widow in 1757.

The next son of James, Sen., and Sarah, is John Emerson, of Mendon (in 1727, Uxbridge). He was born at Ipswich. He was married by Judge Pool, at Mendon, Nov. 23, 1721, to Mary Rise (not Rice, as Professor B. K. Emerson has it). Rise is a Dutch name, and in Mr. Hallen's list of English Huguenots is a Mr. Rise, merchant, a Dutchman. Professor B. K. Emerson has most amusingly described him as a "blacksmith," "surveyor and considerable landowner." The two latter he was; but he was no more a blacksmith than Professor B. K. Emerson himself, though I dare say he mended his own tools. In all the deeds quoted above he is described as a freeholder; he is so described in his will, and in no place whatever is he described as a "blacksmith." Professor B. K. Emerson had the error pointed out to him, and has not seen fit to correct it—hence my criticism. He was a man of great probity and character, and wealthy, as his will, allowed June 5, 1780, and dated July 12, 1768, shows. He died at Uxbridge, and was buried there in 1780.

The next son, Joseph Emerson, of Reading and Falmouth, died *sine prole*, 1745—6, probably at Reading. We have referred to his brother John administering his property at Falmouth, and to his brothers and sister selling his Reading land for £500. The youngest son Nathaniel married Joanna, and lived at Reading and Mendon, where he was born, in the Homestead that belonged to his

* Part of Mendon was incorporated with Uxbridge, 1727.
† Concord Town Records.

father James, purchased in 1740, and to his grandfather, the Rev. Joseph. He left a large family of sons and daughters—two by his second wife, Mary Burnham (m. 1747), *née* Stimpson (?). Of Ebenezer, mentioned in the deed of sale of Joseph's land, we know little; he was evidently dead in 1757. In 1730 he married Elizabeth Walcott, and resided at Attleboro. Professor B. K. Emerson gives Sarah (Hall) as a daughter of James, Sen., and Sarah; but this statement is unsupported by any evidence.

Coming back now to the main line, we recur to the family of JOHN EMERSON, Sen., and Mary Rise, of Mendon (later, 1727, incorporated with Uxbridge). The eldest son, Captain John, was born at Mendon, 1722, moved to Douglass, and became at the time of the Revolutionary War a captain in the 8th Co. 3rd Worcester Regiment, Colonel E. Woods. Appended is his certified Revolutionary War service. It will be seen there is an error in his age, but that is quite intelligible under the circumstances, and it is a small error, of three years. He married, Feb. 27, 1745, Mary Wood. Professor B. K. Emerson describes him as a resident of Uxbridge; this is partly an error—he lived at Douglass in later life.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Office of the Secretary.

REVOLUTIONARY WAR SERVICE OF JOHN EMERSON.

JOHN EMERSON appears among a List of Officers of the Mass. Militia as *Captain* in the 8th Co. of the 3rd Worcester Co. Regiment, commanded by Col. Ezra Woods, Commissioned July 9th, 1776. Vol. 28, p. 119.

Appears in a Descriptive List of Enlisted Men: age 57 years, stature 5 ft. 10 in., complexion dark, hair gray, residence Douglas, term 9 months. Capt. Caleb Whitings Co., Col. Ezra Woods' Regt., dated Douglas, May 28th, 1778.

Rank, *Captain*. Vol. 41, p. 315.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Office of the Secretary.

Boston, Sept. 11th, 1895.

I certify the foregoing to be true abstracts from the Record Index to the Revolutionary War Archives deposited in this office.

Witness the Seal of the Commonwealth,

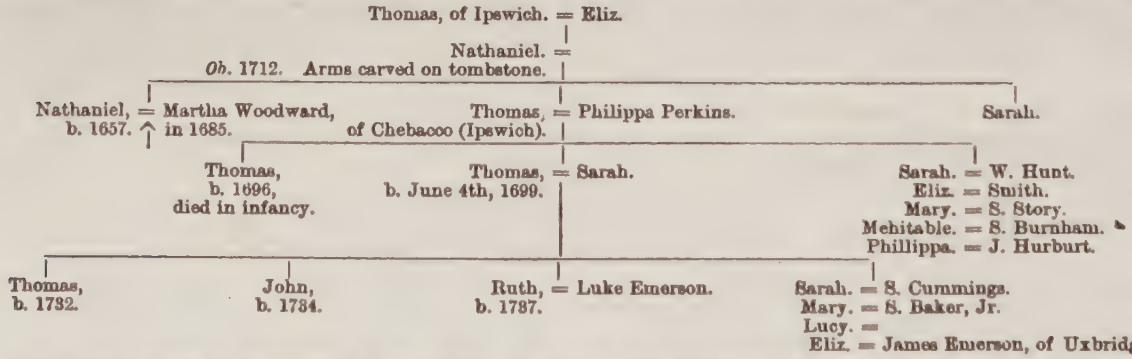
Seal. WM. M. OLIN, *Secretary*.

This was apparently the only Emerson of this family who took part in the Revolutionary War. John, his father, was, of course, too old in 1776, and Luke Emerson, his brother, was already dead in 1774: so that none of my direct line were able to fight.

Thomas, the second son, married Abigail Marsh, of Uxbridge, 25 Nov., 1748, and moved to Rochester, Vermont, joining the Church there 14 Oct., 1794 (?). He was a landowner. Professor B. K. Emerson describes him as of Uxbridge; this is partially correct. He left Uxbridge for Rochester about 1794. James is mentioned in his father's will, but nothing seems known of him. Luke, the fourth son, receives the Homestead, lands, buildings, tenements, stock and utensils etc. Luke was evidently his favourite son; but, alas for the plans of men! Luke died before his father in Nov., 1774, and so John made a codicil dated Dec. 3, 1774, giving his two grandsons, John and Thomas, sons of Luke, what he had intended for Luke. To his son Ezekiel, then an undergraduate at Princeton University, he leaves a remembrance. This Ezekiel took his degree, and was ordained, and as the Rev. Ezekiel Emerson married, 27 Mar., 1760, Catherine Dorr, daughter of Rev. Joseph Dorr, and was given a living at Georgetown, Maine, which he kept for forty-four years. My father was named after him.

John, Sen., leaves his daughters, Mary ( ), Sarah (i. Sabin, ii. J. Hoskins), Hannah (Darling), legacies, and bequeaths his pew to his family. Professor B. K. Emerson says that Mary died early; she did not, for she was born in 1730, and is mentioned in her father's will, dated 1768, when already thirty-eight years of age and alive: that Luke resided at Rochester, Vt.; he did not. He was born at Uxbridge, lived at Uxbridge, died at Uxbridge and was buried at Uxbridge, *cf.* Uxbridge Town Records, and his will dated 1774, and the will of his father. A daughter Phœbe is given by Professor B. K. Emerson as born Aug. 17, 1743, married John Hurburt (qy. Hurlburt), Dec. 1, 1759. Her birth is correct, but as she is not mentioned in her father's will, possibly she is the daughter who died young; at any rate, I have no other record of her.

Recurring to the main line we come to LUKE EMERSON, son of John and Mary Emerson (the next in the direct line), who died as we have said in Nov., 1774. He married his cousin, Ruth Emerson, a direct lineal descendant of Nathaniel (son of Thos. and Eliz.), on whose tomb the arms were carved in 1712—so that I am descended from two sons of Thomas, of Ipswich, viz., Rev. Joseph and Nathaniel. Ruth's pedigree in direct descent is as follows:—



Luke left his lands and tenements to his wife Ruth. To his sons, John and Thomas (minors), who also inherited their grandfather's legacy to Luke; and to his five daughters, Ruth, Susan, Louis, Rhoda (Morse) and Sally, he leaves legacies.

In the Worcester Probate Office is a deed dated Feb. 29th, 1788, in which appeared before the Judge of Probate, Joseph Dorr, personating Thomas Emerson, a minor about 14 years of age (b. in 1773, *q.v.*), son of Luke Emerson, late of Uxbridge, and made claim of Enoch Emerson, of Rochester, Co. of Windsor, Vermont, for his guardian. In the same deed B. Green, gent., and others, stand surety for £1000 before the same judge, to be paid to the judge as a surety re sale of the real estate of Thomas Emerson, a minor, son of Luke. I refer to the deed to show that Thomas must have been heir to a considerable property according to the bond required, and to show how he came to go to Rochester. There is another deed with reference to an earlier guardian at Uxbridge, a Mr. B. Green, who is surety for £300. We see by a deed dated 1787 that Ruth Emerson sold all her interest in Luke Emerson's estate, Vol. CI., p. 338. In 1788 (Vol. XXI., p. 497) occurs the division of Luke's estate. The widow quit-claims to S. Gifford her thirds and also John's share, and there is set land to Thomas Emerson, Ruth (Jefferson), w. of Joseph Jefferson, Susan (Jefferson), w. of Jediah Jefferson, Rhoda Emerson, m. E. Morse afterwards, and Sally Emerson. Louis was recorded as dead in 1788. Luke had other children who died young, viz., eldest son David, d. Jan. 17th, 1756; Rhoda and Reuben (twins), b. Jan. 30th, 1763, died Feb. 10th and 7th, 1763. John, the eldest son, went to Rochester *circa* 1780. We come next to Lieutenant THOMAS EMERSON, son of Luke, the minor spoken of above. He was born at Uxbridge, *vide* pedigree, and taken to Rochester in 1788 by his guardian, Enoch Emerson. He was mentioned in his grandfather's and father's wills. He lived at Rochester and married, in 1795, Margery Morse, of Uxbridge. The Morses were a warlike race and I append a pedigree of my grandmother, Margery Morse, and the Revolutionary War services of my great grandfather, Jesse Morse, and his son Jesse, Jr.

*PEDIGREE OF MARJORIE MORSE, OF UXBRIDGE.

Samuel Morse, = Elizabeth,
b. in England (Suffolk or Wilts?), 1585. Sailed for New England in *Increase*, Apl. 15th, 1635. Settled at Watertown, [illegible], then moved to Dedham and then to Medfield, Mass. *Ob.* at Medfield, Apl. 5th, 1654, bur. at Medfield.
b. in England, 1587. *Ob.* June 20th, 1654. at Medfield.

- John, = Annis. — *ob.* 1657, [illegible]ham and [illegible].
- Daniel, = Lydia. — b. 1613, *ob.* 5th June, 1688, of Dedham, Medfield and Sherborne.
- Joseph, = Hannah Phillips, of Watertown. M. Sept. 1st, 1638, at Dedham. *Ob.* Oct. 3rd, 1676, at Boston. M. 2nd Thos. Bayden. — b. 1615, in England, *ob.* 1654, Medfield, of Medfield and Dorchester.
- Abigail. = Hon. Dan Fisher, Speaker of House of Deputies.
- Samuel, = Mary Bullen. — *ob.* Sept. 24th, 1688, at Eastward.
- Jeremiah, Boston and Eastward.
- Mary, = Rev. Sam. Bullen. — *ob.* Feb. 14th, 1690—1.

- Lieutenant Samuel, = 1 Eliz. Wood, m. Feb. 10th, 1664—5, *ob.* June 22nd, 1682. 2 Sarah Thurston, m. Apl. 29th, 1684, *ob.* Apl. 29th, 1688. — [illegible]0th, 1639, Medfield, *ob.* Feb. 28th, [illegible]. Commissioned by Sir W. Phipps, [illegible]7th, 1693, re-appointed by Earl of [illegible], Oct. 3rd, 1699. *Æt.* 60.
- Hannah, b. 1640, died young?
- Sarah, = Hon. D. N. Lawrence, of Gorton. — b. July 16th, 1643. Grandparents of Hon. Abbatt Lawrence.
- Dorcas, b. June 24th, 1645, died young?
- Eliz., = P. Lawrence, of Gorton. — b. July 1st, 1647, *ob.* Aug. 10th, 1675.
- Captain Joseph, = 1 M. Wood, d. of Hon. Neil Wood. 2 Hannah Babcock. 3 Hannah Dyer, widow. — b. July 26th, 1649, *ob.* Feb. 17th, 1717—8.

- [illegible]el, [illegible] 8th, [illegible]6.
- Eliz. = J. Darling.
- Hannah, b. 1669, *ob.* 1669.
- Hannah, b. 1670, *ob.* 1670.
- Ruth, b. Mar. 21st, 1672, died young?
- Joseph, b. Jan. 16th, 1674, died young?
- Hon. Joshua, = 1 Eliz. Penniman, Nov. 15th, 1699. 2 Mary Penniman. — b. Apl. 2nd, 1679, *ob.* Apl. 26th, 1749, Medfield. Commissary and representative of Medfield at General Court.
- Eleazer, b. 1680, died young.
- Solomon, b. 1685, *ob.* 1704.
- Sarah, = Isaac Bullard. — b. July 11th, 1686. Great grandparents of Samuel Bullard, Mathematician.

- Zipporah, = D. Smith, of Needham. — b. Apl. 10th, 1702.
- Samuel, = Jane Taft, of Uxbridge, d. of Robt. and Eliz. Taft. — b. May 4th, 1703, of Uxbridge, where he died, May 8th, 1770. b. Sept. 14th, 1707.
- Mary, = 1 Lowell. 2 Walker.
- Jemima, = H. Adams. — b. Mar. 16th, 1709.
- Joshua, = Mary Partridge. — b. Dec. 28th, 1710.
- Eliakim, = Abigail Morse, 2nd cousin. — b. Nov. 22nd, 1712.
- Ruth, = S. Plimpton. — b. 1716, *ob.* 1806.
- Rev. Ebenezer, = Peris Bush. — M.A., b. Mar. 2nd, 1717—8, *ob.* 1801.
- Lydia, b. Oct. 27th, 1719, *ob.* 1788.
- Joseph, = Mason. — b. Nov. 30th, 1721.

- [illegible]an. 13th, 1729, *ob.* Aug. 6th, 1805, and [illegible] Uxbridge. Served in Revolutionary [illegible]as at alarm of Concord and Lexington, [illegible]9th, 1775.
- Jesse, = Rachel Hill Allen, b. Jan. 19th, 1732, m. Nov. 28th, 1754, *ob.* Jan. 20th, 1810, at Uxbridge.
- Sarah, b. Aug. 8th, 1731.
- Joshua, b. May 19th, 1733.
- Gideon, b. Feb. 7th, 1735, died in infancy.
- Samuel, = Deborah Hadlock. — *ob.* May 8th, 1770.
- Gideon, b. Nov. 30th, 1741, died young.
- Eunice, b. Feb. 27th, 1745—6, *ob.* Apl. 17th, 1763.

- [illegible] = S. Shepherd. — [illegible]g.
- Ebenezer, b. Feb. 7th, 1757, died in infancy.
- Major Jesse, b. Aug. 18th, 1758. Served in Revolutionary War.
- Mercy White.
- Joseph, = Olive White. — b. Apl. 3rd, 1761, *ob.* Jan. 14th, 1842. Served in Revolutionary War. (?)
- Ebenezer, b. Mar. 6th, 1763.
- Rhoda Emerson, of Rochester, at Oxlow, N.H.
- Gideon, = Mary Emerson. — b. Mar. 8th, 1765. Served in Revolutionary War. (?) *Ob.* S.P.
- Mary, = J. Jefferson, of Gloucester. — b. Dec. 4th, 1766.
- Martha, = N. Stedman, of Douglas. — b. Feb. 11th, 1769.
- Eunice, = Ben Thompson, of Staterville, R.I. — b. Apl. 9th, 1771.
- Marjorie, = Lieut. Thos. Emerson, of Rochester & Uxbridge & Green Creek, Ohio. — b. Apl. 22nd, 1773, at Uxbridge, *ob.* at Green Creek, Ohio, Jan. 12th, 1826, m. at Rochester, Vt., 1795.

* Contributed by Dr. P. E. Canfield.

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REVOLUTIONARY WAR SERVICE OF JESSE MORSE.

JESSE MORSE appears on Lexington Alarm Roll of Capt. Joseph Chapin's Co., which marched on the Alarm of April 19th, 1775, from Uxbridge; belonged to Uxbridge; service 17 days. Vol. 11, p. 257.

Appears on Muster Roll of Capt. William Wyman's Co., Col. Patterson's Regt., dated Aug. 1st, 1775; enlisted April 29th, 1775; service 3 months 9 days; belonged to Uxbridge. Vol. 16, p. 70.

"JESSE MORES," credited to same Co., same Regt., as above on Company Return probably for October, 1775; belonged to Uxbridge. Vol. 56, p. 175.

"JESS MORSS" appears in an Order for Bounty Coat or its equivalent in money, given by himself and others, dated Camp No. 3, Charlestown, Nov. 4th, 1775, payable to Lieut. Samuel Chapin; Bounty due on account of service in Capt. William Wyman's Co., Col. John Paterson's Regt. Vol. 57, file 18.

"JESSE MORSS" appears on a Receipt dated Point Shirley, June 13th, 1776, for Bounty and advance Pay, given by himself and others, in Capt. Jonathan Carriel's Co.; autograph signature. Vol. 18, p. 17.

JESSE MORSE appears on Muster and Pay Roll of Capt. Jonathan Carriel's Co., Col. Josiah Whitney's Regt., for service from May 15th, 1776, to Nov. 1st, 1776; Roll dated Hull, Nov. 2nd, 1776; also for 1 month 3½ days' service in November and December; belonged to Uxbridge. Vol. 18, pp. 35, 9, 11.

Appears on Muster and Pay Roll of Capt. Samuel Read's Co., Lt.-Col. Nathan Tyler's Regt., for service at Rhode Island on the Alarm of Dec. 8th, 1776; enlisted Dec. 8th, 1776; discharged Jan. 21st, 1777; service 1 month 15 days; stationed at Providence. Vol. 3, p. 100.

JESSE MORSE appears on Muster and Pay Roll of Capt. Isaac Martin's Co., Col. Joseph Whitney's Regt., under command of Maj.-Gen. Spencer; enlisted May 4th, 1777; discharged July 4th, 1777; service 2 months 6 days, in Rhode Island; Roll sworn to at Boston. Vol. 21, p. 97.

Appears on Muster and Pay Roll of Capt. Job Knap's Co., Col. Cushing's Regt.; enlisted Aug. 17th, 1777; discharged Nov. 30th, 1777; service 3 months 24 days, in Northern Army. Vol. 20, p. 173.

Appears on Muster and Pay Roll of Capt. Job Knap's Co., for service at Rhode Island by order of Gen. Court, Feb. 28th, 1781; enlisted Mch. 2nd, 1781; discharged Mch. 15th, 1781; service 17 days; Roll dated Douglas. Vol. 2, p. 175.

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REVOLUTIONARY WAR SERVICE OF JESSE MORSE, JR.

JESSE MORSE, Jr., appears in a Descriptive List, dated Uxbridge, May 22nd, 1778, of the men enlisted from Worcester Co., who were raised under Resolve of April 20th, 1778, for the term of Nine months from the time of their arrival at Fishkill (June 7th, 1778). Age 19 years; stature 5 ft. 11 in.; complexion dark; hair brown; eyes blue; residence Uxbridge; enlisted from Uxbridge; belonged to Capt. Seagrave's Co., Col. Ezra Woods' Regt Vol. 41, pp. 380, 351.

JESSE MORSE, Jr., appears on a Petition, dated Uxbridge, April 8th, 1779, to the Council, signed by himself and others, asking that he be paid mileage, etc., from Pennsylvania, the place of his discharge, to Uxbridge, his home. Service 9 months; discharged Jan. 6th, 1779. Vol. 185, p. 108.

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The early portion of Lieut. Thomas Emerson and his wife's married life was spent at Rochester, Vt., where six children were born.* Fuller details are given in "The Emersons in America," and therefore are not repeated here, these brief notes only being given. Their children were—1. *Demarcus*, b. 1796, *ob.* 1882, a bachelor. 2. *Lois*, b. 1798, *ob.* 1849, m. Judge Sherwood, of Sandusky, Ohio, one of the ablest lawyers produced by America; Mrs. Sherwood started the first school at Sandusky in her own house, *circa* 1815. 3. *Thomas, Jun.*, b. 1800, *ob.* Dec. 9, 1870, m. (1) Eliz. Glick, aunt of Governor George Glick, of Kansas State; (2) Sarah Darling, issue—(i.) Thomas, Jun., b. 1831, goes out in female issue, d. Nellie = Rev. D. W. Crane, Myrtle and Grace; (ii.) George, b. 1834, *ob.* 1836; (iii.) Christina = B. Rowe; (iv.) Anna = R. W. Thomas, a descendant per father of Miles Standish, and per mother of Geo. Bradford; (v.) Laurel, b. 1840, m. S. E. Bacon and has two sons and three daughters, viz., Albert Bacon, Walker Oliver, Erminia = W. Freund, Cora, Edith, Mary Oliver. 4. *Squire Jesse*, b. Dec. 24, 1801, *ob.* July 19, 1873, m. J. Strawn Govett and had issue—(i.) Sarah = Rev. J. T. Caples; (ii.) Stephen Morse, b. 1832, m. Sarah I. Ball, and had issue—Stephen, b. 1861, *ob.* 1861; Jesse, a daughter, b. 1862 (Stephen Morse, Sen., 1863, was a graduate of Wesley University, Ohio); (iii.) Anna L., b. 1834 = D. S. Camfield; (iv.) Dr. Pauline, b. 1836 = L. Canfield (Dr. Pauline E. Canfield was a medical graduate and the genealogist referred to *passim*; (v.) Elmira, b. 1838 = J. D. Morgan; (vi.) James Strawn, b. 1840 = Cassie Huffard, and had issue—Mina, b. 1866, Bert, b. 1869, Maude, b. 1871, Frank, b. 1874, Guy, b. 1876, Frederick, b. 1879; (vii.) Emma J. = W. H. Schroeder. 5. *Henry Ezekiel Emerson*, b. 1806, for particulars *vide* notes *inf.* 6. *Stephen Cummings*, b. 1809, *ob.* 1881, m. Mary M. Gaston, and had issue—(i.) Rob. Boyd, b. 1839, died of wounds in Civil War, Oct. 21, 1862; (ii.) Harriet Elizabeth, b. 1841 = J. Morrison, secondly E. A. Cavin; (iii.) Joel Fletcher, b. 1843 = S. Morrison, and has issue—Lee J., b. 1867, Eugene M., b. 1869, James E., b. 1871, Grace M., b. 1872, Maud A., b. 1876; (iv.) Eliza Ann, b. 1845 = Rev. J. W. Lee; (v.) Jesse Newton (boy), b. 1847; (vi.) Mary M., b. 1854; (vii.) William Henry, b. 1856. 7. *Pauline* = Dwight Plimpton, b. 1811. 8. *Pauline Patty*, b. 1803, died in infancy. 9. *Joseph*, b. 1813, *ob.* 1825.

When the war of 1812 broke out, my grandfather served throughout the war as a lieutenant, but which side he fought for I have been unable to discover. He was, of course, by birth an Englishman, having been born 1773, *before* the colonies revolted and cast themselves free. I have had the New York State Archives for the war, the Pension Records at Washington, and the War Service Archives of the State of Vermont searched; but all these records are very imperfect, and do not seem to be nearly as complete as the Revolutionary records. Adjutant and Insp.-General T. S. Peck, of the State of Vermont, tells me, "Our records are very imperfect and unsatisfactory." I have been unable to find anything, so far, in the records of those serving on the English side. But he is too near for there to be any doubt on the subject. Dr. P. E. Canfield, referred to in the Preface, was daughter of Jesse Emerson, my uncle, and she writes me that my grandfather fought at the battle of Plattsburgh, his family being hidden in a cellar during the battle in a house where the bullets frequently penetrated. My grandfather after the war went to Green Creek and settled—one of the earliest to settle in that district (*vide* letter in Appendix). It will be seen from the letter my grandfather had the early pioneering instincts. He started for Ohio some time after the war, but when is uncertain, as we do not

* Henry Ezekiel states in his will he was born in Uxbridge. This is an error; he was born at Rochester and taken to Uxbridge almost immediately afterwards.

find his name in the Green Creek, Ohio, records until August 19, 1822, when there is a record in the Auditor of States Office, Columbus, Ohio, of his buying the east half of the north-east quarter of Section No. 7, township No. 4, north range No. 16, east, in Green Creek Township, Sandusky Co., Ohio. He owned land and saw mills. He died at Green Creek, Nov. 7, 1825, and was buried in the Oakwood Cemetery, at Fremont, Ohio. His widow died on Jan. 21, 1826, at Green Creek, Ohio, and is buried in the same cemetery. Judge Sherwood, his son-in-law, was a witness to his will. In his will he mentions Marcus, Jesse, Thomas, Stephen, Ezekiel, and daughter Pauline and his wife Margery.

Demarcus and my father, after their father's death, came back to their Morse relatives in Massachusetts, and in 1826 my father went off to Cuba, which was then the El Dorado. He began coffee planting, and owned the La Esperanza and another estate near Cardenas, in Cuba, which he subsequently sold, and went into partnership with J. B. Phinney in the La Palma estate, near the Encrucijada, Sagua-la-Grande, Cuba. This was a large estate, some seven square miles in extent. My father bought his partner out, and was sole proprietor when he married in New York City, Jane Harris Billing. They were married by the Rev. James Millet, of the Holy Martyrs' Church, New York—witnesses, Mr. J. B. Phinney and Mrs. L. A. Phinney. My mother was a descendant of the very old Norman family of Billouns alias Treworder, who settled in Cornwall before 1210. I append a short note on my mother's family.

BILLING *alias* TRELAWDER.

"This family is of Norman descent. The name is still found in France. It is of great antiquity in Cornwall under the following and other forms:—Byllun, Billen, Billion, Billoun, Byllown, Bullen, Byllyng and Billing and Belling."—Sir J. Maclean.

The arms allowed at the Herald's Visitation in 1620, were as given in the drawing. It being a pre-Tudor coat there is no crest.

There is a long pedigree registered at the College of Arms beginning with Richard Billing, of Treworder, Co. Cornwall, 1620. His elder son goes out in female issue. Elizabeth, co-heiress, marrying Geo. Vivil, of Wood, Allington Parish, Co. Devon, and Margaret marrying John Kestell, of Kestell. The younger son, Thomas, however, left male issue, which subsequently went out in female issue, too, Elizabeth Billing marrying (1) S. Trelawney, (2) R. Lower, M.P., Physician to Charles II.

At the 1638 Visitation arms were allowed to William Billing (*æt.* 25), of Lanke, by Sir John Borough, Garter Principal-at-Arms, 8th March, 1638, *i.e.*, (1 and 4) Billing (as above) quarterly with (2) Blount and (3) Hocken. This William was son of Reginald Billing and Ann Hocken, some time of St. Mabyn and afterwards of Gt. Lanke, in St. Breward, where he built a mansion in 1627. This William left several descendants and he had a brother John.

I have not yet had time to trace my mother to the registered pedigree, but her short pedigree is (so far as I have gone):—

Billing, of Bodmin. =
|
William Billing, = Jane Harris,
b. 1795, Surgeon, of Lostwithiel. *Ob.* Sept. 5th, 1850, | of an old Cornish family.
and bur. Sept. 10th, 1850, *æt.* 55, by Rev. E. C. Bond, |
at Woburn, Beds. Sometime of Lostwithiel, Cornwall. |

Astley Cooper Billing, bap. Apl. 18th, 1818.

Jane Harris Billing, bap. on Dec. 7th, 1820, at Lostwithiel, Cornwall, by the Rev. — Bower. Died at Grasmere, bur. at Teignmouth, Devon, Sept. 12th, 1881. = H. E. Emerson, of the La Palma Estate, July, 1855.

Other brothers and sisters.

My uncle told me his great great grandfather was William Billing of St. Teath, Co. Cornwall, but knowing how inaccurate people are in such matters I place but little value in the statement, unsupported as it was by evidence.

Sir John Maclean, in his "History of Trigg Minor, Co. Cornwall,"* goes very fully into the history of this important old Cornish and Norman family, as he married into it himself. Anyone interested in the matter I refer to his work.

J. B. E. H. E. E.

Wilmington and Brandywine Cemetery, Wilmington, Del., U.S.A., graves of H. E. Emerson and his daughter, J. B. Emerson. (1869.)

In 1864 my father's health began to give way, and so he moved to the United States in the wet season, buying a house, No. 818, West Street, Wilmington, Delaware. My sister and father died there on May 29th, 1865, and Mar. 30th, 1867, respectively. They are buried in the Wilmington and Brandywine Cemetery, Lot 10, Sec. C.—*Vide* tombstones. My mother married a second time and died without issue by this second marriage at Grasmere, Westmoreland, Sept. 7th, 1881, and was buried (as J. H. Hudson) in the Teignmouth Cemetery, Sept. 12th, 1881. Tombstone in cemetery and memorial clerestory window (to J. H. Emerson) in Cranleigh School Chapel, Cranleigh, Surrey.

I was born on my father's estate and baptized privately by Don Juan Ezequiel Martin on the estate, on June 17th, 1857, as Pedro Enrique (Peter Henry), Don Antonio Roque and Doña Ana Harris Billing as padrons. Baptism registered in Church of St. Maria Magdalena, at Cifuentes, Cuba, in the Baptism Book, fol. 52, numero 282. I was married at Hivington Chaplery by Rev. T. Low, assisted by Rev. Ritson, on June 22nd, 1881, by license to Edith Amy Ainsworth, daughter of the late Joseph Ainsworth, Esq., of The Thorns, Bolton, Lancashire, who was born at The Thorns, Jan. 26th, 1854, and bap. at St. Paul's Church (Astley Bridge), Bolton, Oct. 9th, 1854. My wife is a descendant of the ancient family of Aynsworth, of Aynsworth,

* Vol. I., p. 365 *et seq.*, Vol. II. and Vol. III.

Co. Lancs., and of the Ainsworths, Lords of Plessington Manor, whose arms and pedigree are registered at the College. Arms—3 pole-axes argent on a shield gules. No crest or motto.

My children—Leonard Ainsworth was born at 4, Park Side, Cambridge, May 12, 1882, and baptized there privately by the Rev. T. J. Garness, July 26, 1882, and has adopted engineering as his profession. Sybil was born at 4, Park Side, Cambridge, Jan. 21, 1884, and baptized by the Rev. H. Bellamy at St. Benet's Church, Cambridge, June 13, 1884. Gladys was born at 26, Downshire Hill, Hampstead, London, N.W., May 23, 1885. Zöe Orchis was born at Claringbold, Broadstairs, Kent, Nov. 12, 1892, and baptized by the Rev. M. N. Kearney at Oulton Church, Oct. 6., 1897. Ralf Billing was born at "The Nook," Oulton Broad, on July 3rd, 1897, and baptized at Oulton Parish Church by Rev. M. N. Kearney, Oct. 6, 1897.

My brother, Just William Emerson, was born on the estate and baptized by Rev J. E. Martin, baptism recorded in the book of St. Maria Magdalena, Cifuentes, Cuba. He was a fellow-commoner of Downing College, Cambridge, and took his B.A. in 1885. He resided in Florida, U.S.A., and owned the "Mount" and "Lakeside" in Lakeland, and married his cousin, Grace Camfield. They had one child (posthumous), William Camfield Emerson, born at Council Grove, Kansas, Sept. 8, 1893, living in 1897. My brother died at Tampa, Florida, March 3, 1893, and was buried at Oakwood Cemetery, Fremont, Ohio.

It will be seen from these notes and the pedigree that the fighting and pioneering instincts have predominated in our branch of the family. First there was Nathaniel, who served against the Indians, direct ancestor of Luke's wife; then Captain John, who served in the Revolutionary War, his brother Luke being dead, his father John too old, and his nephew Thomas, my grandfather, a baby; and my maternal grandfather, Jesse Morse, serving from Lexington Alarm all through the war, together with three of his sons, in the Revolutionary War; and my grandfather serving in the war of 1812, and pioneering afterwards; and then my father pioneering, and lastly, Rob. Boyd Emerson, my cousin, killed in the Civil War. Most of the other descendants of Thomas, of Ipswich, have preferred the gown to the sword. Ours has been the fighting branch; and I trust some of my descendants may draw the sword for the honour of England, and I hope none of them will take to priestcraft.

Armigerous Emersons at present living.

The following having given official proof (*q.v.*) that they are entitled to bear arms are all the living Emersons who are so entitled, for though some of the Lincolnshire armigerous Emersons would have the right did they register their pedigrees up to date, they have *pro tempore* lost that right until they do so register them. Those whose pedigrees are fully registered and their patents of grants are duly recorded at the College of Arms are:—

(1) John James Emerson, esquire, LL.D. (Cantab.)
(2) Eleazer Biggins Emerson, esquire, B.A. (Cantab.) } Yorkshire.
(3) Charles Arthur Emerson, gent.
(4) Peter Henry Emerson, gent., M.B., B.A. (Cantab.), Suffolk.

Armigerous minors:—James John Emerson, gent., of Trinity Hall (Camb.); Ethel Mary Alice Maud Emerson, spinster; Constance Ann Dorothy Emerson, spinster; Leonard Ainsworth Emerson, gent.; Sybil Emerson, spinster; Gladys Emerson, spinster; Zöe Orchis Emerson, spinster; Ralf Billing Emerson, gent.

The following living members of the armigerous Lincolnshire family of Emersons would be entitled to bear arms did they register their pedigrees at the College of Arms:—

(1) Thos. Wharton Emerson, gent.; (2) Major-General Alexander Emerson, esquire; (3) Alexander Theodore Emerson, gent.; (4) Charles Edward Emerson, gent.; (5) Wharton Amcotts Emerson, gent.; (6) Catherine Mary Emerson, spinster; (7) Lyon Emerson, gent.

Minors:—(8) Ethel Mary Emerson, spinster, only child of Major-General Alexander Emerson.

No Emersons in the United States of America or Colonies are entitled to bear arms, nor is any Emerson in Scotland, Ireland, or Wales entitled to bear arms. Sir James Emerson-Tennant's only son died without issue, but one daughter—Mrs. Butler—is entitled to have her arms impaled on her husband's, if he be an armiger.

Arms not authenticated but probably genuine and the record lost.

Emerson, of Eastgate, Co. Durham.

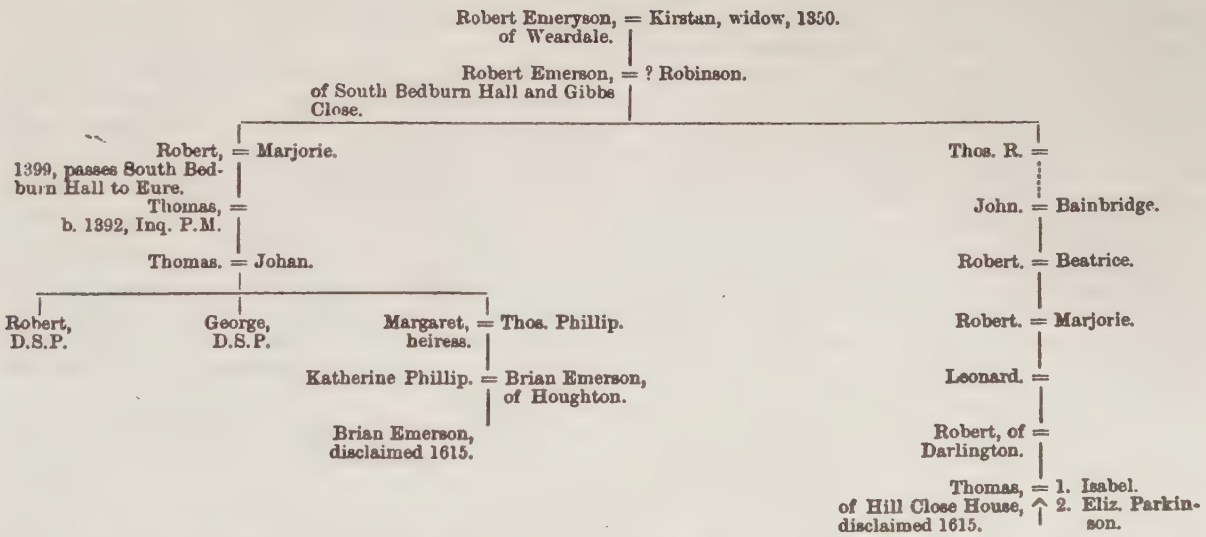
Bears, azure on a bend argent three spread eagles sable.

This coat was found in Lansdown MS. 865, fo. 87, in 1895, by Miss Walford, whom I had requested to search the MS. It is obviously a pre-Tudor coat as no crest is registered with it, and before the Tudors only persons of knightly rank were allowed crests. The Eastgate is Eastgate in County Durham. Possibly it was granted to the early forest officers who dwelt at Eastgate in Weardale, but as the matter stands *no one* is entitled to use this coat, nor will anyone ever be entitled to do so, for it is not recorded in any of the Visitations, or at the College of Arms. It is probably (if genuine) the first coat ever granted to an Emerson, but this also is mere conjecture. This coat, then, is at present of purely historical interest and is likely so to remain. This coat is tricked above.

It will be seen by reference to the key pedigree of Durham Emersons that the first Eastgate Emerson described in the Cursitor Records as gent. was George Emerson, of the Eastgate, High Forester and Bailiff to the Bishop of Durham, *ob.* 1508.—Cursitor Rolls. If the coat was originally recorded and lost sight of, as some coats were during the Commonwealth and afterwards, this was probably the coat claimed by Thomas, of *Darlington*, and disclaimed by the Heralds in 1615. It would, too, account for the foresters being described as "gents." But all proof is absent, so that everything is mere conjecture, except the existence of the coat in the Lansdown MS., and the statement that it belongs to Emerson, of the Eastgate, Co. Durham. The pedigree of this branch of the family is given more fully under Emersons of Ludwell (Co. Durham), many of whom are certainly described in Cursitor Records as "gentlemen."

Emerson Disclaimers.

The official records of the College state that Thomas Emerson, of Darlington, and Brian Emerson, of the Eastgate, disclaimed arms and gentry at the Visitation of 1615 (Sept. 16th) of Co. Durham. Their names do not occur in Ryland's Disclaimers, however; and since they were disclaimed or did not put in an appearance it is assumed they had no right to arms. My researches prove that *both* could not have had a right to the *same* arms and Brian was the recalcitrant—for he was connected with the Darlington Emersons *merely by marriage.* The Darlington Emersons were one of the most important Emerson families in Co. Durham, and I suspect had a right to the Eastgate coat aforesaid. Certainly I can find no Ralf in their pedigree, *circa* 1570—1600, so assume they must have claimed some other coat than Ralf of Foxton's. In making up my key pedigree for the County of Durham I soon found I was engaged upon the Darlington Emersons, in later times called the Hill Close House Emersons, and it was one of these who was disclaimed in 1615 (Longstaffe's "History of Durham"). My key pedigree will be published in a subsequent chapter, so I will confine myself here to publishing the pedigrees of the two disclaimers that I have compiled, merely publishing here the direct descent of each and showing Brian the disclaimer's actual relationship to Thomas, of Darlington.


Robert Emeryson, of Weardale. = Kirstan, widow, 1350.
Robert Emerson, of South Bedburn Hall and Gibbs Close. = ? Robinson.
Robert, 1399, passes South Bedburn Hall to Eure. = Marjorie.
Thomas, b. 1392, Inq. P.M. =
Thomas. = Johan.
Robert, D.S.P.
George, D.S.P.
Margaret, heiress. = Thos. Phillip.
Katherine Phillip. = Brian Emerson, of Houghton.
Brian Emerson, disclaimed 1615.
Thos. R. =
John. = Bainbridge.
Robert. = Beatrice.
Robert. = Marjorie.
Leonard. =
Robert, of Darlington. =
Thomas, of Hill Close House, disclaimed 1615. = 1. Isabel. 2. Eliz. Parkinson.

The reader will see the eldest son of Robert Emerson and —— Robinson goes out in female issue, Margaret the heiress marrying Thos. Phillip; their daughter, Katherine Phillip, marrying Brian the disclaimer, who was a Houghton Emerson (*q.v.*). On the other hand, the issue of the second son, Thomas, is continued to the Darlington family, represented by Thomas, disclaimed in 1615. I cannot trace that this family ever had a right to arms and think they were probably quite fairly disclaimed in 1615. But, nevertheless, I have been able to compile a good pedigree of them, but who are the living representatives of this ancient family I know not—they are probably pretty numerous, as towards the end of the seventeenth century they were very prolific, as can be seen by the key pedigree. But they sold their property to the Richardsons

and I presume scattered far and wide. And these are the only two Emersons I have been able to find who were disclaimed arms and gentry at any of the Visitations.

Spurious Crests and Arms of no authority.

Burke, Fairbairn and others give arms and crests as belonging to Emersons and Emmersons which are of no authority whatever, and of which no record exists at the College. Mr. Fox-Davies' edition of Fairbairn's crests, 1892, p. 149, Vol. I., gives the following crests:—

1. Emerson, Northumb., a sinister wing ppr., charged with a bend or, and thereon three torteaux.
2. Emerson, Lincs. and Norf., issuing from a cloud rays of the sun all ppr.
3. Emmerson, a cock ppr.

The first crest is spurious. There is no record of such a crest in the College of Arms, neither is there any armigerous Northumberland family of Emersons. This crest was doubtless invented and first used with the *Lincolnshire* arms by John Emerson, merchant, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, the son of a yeoman and a member of the Ludwell family of Emersons. He doubtless copied the arms from the Kail Cross, Newcastle, where they had been placed by Thomas Emerson, of Bradbury, one of the Surrey Emersons, who himself had no legal right to them although he was in all probability related to the Lincolnshire Emersons (*vide* Emersons of Co. Lincoln and Co. Surrey). This crest was carved on a memorial tablet placed in St. Nicholas' Church, Newcastle, to the memory of the above John Emerson, with the Lincolnshire arms, and impaled upon them are the arms of his three wives. It is to be hoped they had more claim to the arms than the said John Emerson. These arms ought to be at once removed from the church. No Emersons of Northumberland are or ever were entitled to arms of any kind.

The second crest, supposed to belong to the Emersons of Lincoln and Norfolk, is equally spurious—the Lincolnshire family have *no crest*, it being a pre-Tudor coat. And no family of Norfolk Emersons was ever granted arms or proved any relationship to the Lincoln armigerous family of Emersons.

The third crest, the "proper cock crowing," is pure invention also, nor is any family particularized. No such crest was ever granted to an Emerson or Emmerson, nor have any *Emmersons* ever been granted arms.

Finally, in America the descendants of Michael Emerson, of Haverhill, U.S.A., claim—Or out of the midst of a fesse sable, a lion rampant, naissant gules armed and languid (*sic*) azure. Motto, "I will or die." No crest. This coat is spurious like the above, no such coat ever having been granted to any Emerson or anybody else, to judge from the "heraldry," and is probably the work of John Coles, the infamous spurious heraldic painter of Boston, who lived during the last century. The descendants of Michael Emerson have no arms of any kind, and are possibly descended from Jo. Emerson, baker, who emigrated in the *Abigail*, 1635, Oct. 20th, for New England (*vide* Licences to pass beyond the seas). This Jo., as given in the original licence, was possibly a contraction for Jonathan, father of Michael Emerson, who settled at Haverhill, *circa* 1656, and left a large family, one of whom was the heroic and historic Hannah Dustin (*née* Emerson) who avenged her family by scalping a number of Indians with her own hands—a well-known historical episode.

Professor B. K. Emerson, in his "Emersons in America," says Rev. John, grandson of Thomas, of Ipswich, had "arms certified to him"—this is sheer nonsense. Before the College would have "certified arms" to him he would have had to prove his right to arms, which he never did. All he did was to buy a certified copy of the arms of Ralf of Foxton, which *anybody* can do who is not even an Emerson. An equally ridiculous statement in the work referred to is that a descendant of Thomas, of Ipswich, the Rev. Daniel Emerson, who was a chaplain of the forces, 1755, "was considered the ranking officer, because of his family coat of arms bearing three lions." The Rev. Daniel Emerson was never entitled to any arms, and if he had been, that he should be considered ranking officer on account of the "three lions" is grotesque.

And here we must leave the matter of "arms," and trust the various correspondents who have written us so many questions on the subject will now clearly understand the matter. And I trust American readers will see how ridiculous are their claims to use arms—one cannot be a republican and an aristocrat at the same time.

Chapter III.

The Key Pedigree.

As I have said before this is a genealogical history of the Emersons, of the sons of Aimeric, and my first difficulty is the matter of their origin, *i.e.*, are they all descended from one man—Aimeric, Archdeacon of Durham, or were there two families, one the Archdeacon's, and a second the sons of Emery, of Co. York, mentioned in the Richmond Domesday? I have been unable to obtain sufficient evidence to clear this matter up, or to connect the earliest roots, the filii Emeri of Durham and York, with each other, or with the earliest recorded Emerysons; but what evidence I have been able to obtain leads me to think the family sprang from the Archdeacon of Durham, *i.e.*, the earliest Emeryson held manorial lands in St. Oswald's and Brancepeth Parishes close to Durham and the earliest members of them held under the Bishops of Durham, and were forest officers, bailiffs and *scribæ* to the Bishops, which offices they continued to hold in Weardale to comparatively modern times—*tempe* Jac. I.

Some future genealogist may be able, with more means at his command, to clear the matter up, as it doubtless could be were the very voluminous early Pipe Rolls and other records searched. Besides these *lacunæ* I have been unable to connect several collaterals with the main stem for lack of proof, which doubtless further research would produce.

We will now proceed to give the result of my studies of this key pedigree and the various documents connected therewith.

To begin with Aimeric, Archdeacon of Durham, son or nephew (*nepos*) of Bishop of Durham, Phillip of Poictou, whom I hold to be the founder of the family, takes us at once to the times of Richard Cœur-de-Lion and Aquatania, for Bishop Phillip of Poictou was clerk-in-attendance to the great lion-hearted King Richard I. But in order that the reader will the better understand the connection of Aquatania with England and the character of its people, we venture to give a long extract from Professor Montagu Burrows's* (with his kind permission) writing on this subject, as this period of history is ignored in most historical works.

"There are no records for the century which elapsed after Eleanor of Guienne,† or Aquitaine (for the words are really the same, and in her case had the same meaning), brought (in 1151) a duchy and a county, which were very like a kingdom, to Henry Plantagenet, Count of Anjou, who was to add, immediately afterwards, the realm of England to his great possessions. The Gascon Rolls do not commence till 1242.‡ We hear of little else in this century besides the great feudal baronage of the provinces. All the notices which reach us in the reigns of Henry II. and Richard I. bear conspicuous marks of a powerful and semi-independent body of lords, who played an important part in the struggles between the harassed father and his rebellious sons. Forced to yield to the hand of a master in Cœur de Lion, the special head of his mother's inheritance, and to do so even when he was a mere boy, they did pretty much as they liked when the strong hand was withdrawn. Indeed, by his junction with the French king against his own father Richard taught them a lesson which they were not slow to learn.

"The English Sovereignty had placed these barons in a position more convenient and agreeable to a feudal society than any other in Europe. While the 'Roy Outremer' was their liege lord, he himself as Count of Anjou and Poitou, and Duke of Guienne, owed fealty for these provinces to the Kings of France; and as the latter, by absorbing the possessions of the Peers of France, gradually emerged out of the rank of petty sovereigns, they, very naturally, the more insisted on a definite recognition of their suzerainty over the English lordships in the south. Thus the nobles served two masters, which, with the best intentions, is not easy. But these were not two masters in the ordinary sense: they were two kings. Such a position often involved disagreeable consequences; but they were more than balanced in the eye of these lords by the exquisite satisfaction of being thus enabled to play off, on every possible occasion, one against the other. This they were accustomed to do so effectually that the process almost advanced to the rank of a science; and it was by this process that they, as well as the people generally, acquired the English sanction of their valuable and peculiar privileges. It was thus that they learnt to appreciate, and a large proportion of them to cling with affection to, a dynastic arrangement which first gave or recognized their rights, and then, from the action of natural causes, tended to conserve them.

"And here it may be remarked that the anomalous relations of England to her provinces beyond sea, formed as they had been at first by the personal ties of inheritance, and not by conquest, could never have lasted for three centuries unless it had been for the interest of both parties that they should continue. It is remarkable that even so observant a writer as Hallam should have failed to notice this great historical fact. Sustained upon the principle of mutual advantage, far more than on ancient feudal and family relations, the substantial affection of the inhabitants for the English rule, especially in the maritime and commercial centres, is the leading feature in

* "The Family of Brocas of Beaurepaire and Roche Court," pp. 13—22.

† Gascony.—P. H. E.

‡ Which renders them useless for all research concerning Bishop Phillip of Poictou and his nephew Aimeric, the Archdeacon of Durham, who reigned at Durham, 1195—1215.—P. H. E.

the complicated series of circumstances which the historian will have to trace. It will be evident enough when the subject is once presented in full.

"The confusion of feudal obligations here mentioned, common in a sense elsewhere, but never so accentuated as in Aquitaine, coincided with the differences of race and history which distinguished the people from their neighbours. It was in these provinces that the old Gallo-Roman population had successfully resisted absorption by the Teutonic conquerors of the rest of Gaul. Even as late as the early part of the twelfth century they were hardly at all connected with the Crown of France. They had long previously bought a practical independence by the highest of all claims—self-sacrifice for Christendom. It was under a Count of Aquitaine, a virtual king, that the first fierce onset of the invading Moors and Arabs, before their final overthrow at the hand of Charles Martel, was splendidly met and shattered by the Christian heroes of the province. The independent spirit of their neighbours, the Basques, who gave their name to Gascony, was not without its influence on the character of the people; and the jealous chivalry of Gothic Spain, with constitutional rights ever asserted against its kings, could not but affect a country with which it was in close relation. Thus was maintained and strengthened from generation to generation an active, sturdy, vigorous nature, not unlike that of the English themselves, but more lively, more impregnated with the brightness of southern suns.

"The variety of the climate and territory—mountain and plain, barren waste and fertile valley, the unique river system, fed from the Pyrenean snows, and spread like a network over the whole country, gathering up into the stately Garonne, and centreing in Bordeaux, the queen of French maritime cities, the long seaboard and navigable estuaries which bred a race of hardy seamen, the aptitude of the soil for the growth of the vine—all this had also its peculiar effect; but far above all this, above the Basque and Spanish influences, above even the effects of gallant resistance to external foes, we must place the underlying traditions of individual liberty derived from the old institutions of the Roman province. The traces of these institutions, especially in the allodial landed system of Aquitaine, are to be found everywhere contending with the feudal system introduced by the Teutonic settlers, and so tending to nationalize and localize the whole province. Not knowing how their rights and privileges had been acquired and preserved through the earlier 'Dark Ages,' the simple people of Aquitaine were accustomed to account for them as follows:—'When the great King Charles went to reconquer the country from the Saracens, he took into his pay the nobles and knights who would not otherwise serve him, but the common people served without pay, and asked for nothing. That is why, when he bestowed lands on the nobles, he bound them to military service and other duties; but to the lower class, out of gratitude, and in order to encourage population, he granted their properties free from all obligation of service, declared them entirely free, and required nothing from them beyond their assemblage for the purpose of promoting public order.'*

"*Thus in the country districts, all alike—nobles, small landholders, and peasants—were born and bred to an inheritance of freedom, differing in many respects from the condition of any other people.* †

"The effect of all these peculiarities in isolating Aquitaine even from its neighbouring province of Languedoc, with which it had much in common, was very distinctly marked at the period of the Albigensian Crusade. The ambition of Philippe Auguste, the prowess of Louis VIII., the fury of the Popes and their diabolical agents, the ferocity of the first Simon de Montfort, were sufficient to break up for ever the independence of the powerful Counts of Toulouse—the greatest event perhaps, and the most far-reaching, of the century. The condition of Aquitaine was left practically untouched by the movement. And yet it had not been without its share in the various influences which had made their way to Languedoc through Italy and Aragon.

"The age succeeding that of the early Plantagenet rulers of Aquitaine was marked by essential differences in the relations of England to the province, but the characteristics of the baronage and the mixed influences above described are more and more conspicuous. In the lifetime of Eleanor of Guienne, of her husband and her sons, the well-accustomed tie of feudal lordship presents itself as a living thing. The English kings appear before their southern subjects as Dukes of Guienne. Their continuous dominions in France afford a ready means of communication with all their provinces alike, independent of maritime intercourse. But the loss of Normandy and its dependencies made a vast change. The 'Roy Outremer' could no longer reach his subjects by land, and Bordeaux became the great central meeting-point of the two races. The anarchy of the reigns of John and Henry III. produces its natural effect. We find ourselves present at a continuous struggle to prevent the absorption of the Plantagenet dominions by the rapidly-growing power of the Kings of France. Following this, the reigns of the three Edwards form a distinct period of their own. The decadence of the Plantagenets under Richard II., the brief resumption of continental power under Henry V., and the final decay which issues in the expulsion of 1453, make up a fourth division of the subject.

"In all these periods alike, the earliest as well as the latest, we have, in dealing with the history of these provinces, to lay our account not only with the peculiarities of race, situation, inherited personal rights and feudal obligations which the English found when they came, but with a developed communal system in all the large towns, rapidly completing itself under the English domination, confirmed again and again by Eleanor and both her sons, and enfranchised more extensively than in any other part of France in the matter of wills, wardship, marriage, succession, and the right of accused persons to bail; in short, in the liberties which make a man free. Thus we find ourselves in the midst of a society in which there is an unusually marked variety of conflicting elements, which nevertheless have to mingle with one another as best they may, under the hand of a King of England who is, for these provinces, a vassal of the King of France.

"Bearing in mind these peculiarities of country, people, and institutions, we shall better understand the progressive steps by which the English government of Aquitaine was brought to the condition in which we find it during the Hundred Years' War. It is then that the subjects of our narrative present themselves prominently on the stage. But the preceding age of Henry III. will also receive some illustration from the notices of their clan which are at our disposal, and we must now look at it somewhat more in detail.

* M. Rabanis, *ut supra*. † Italics mine.—P. H. E.

"The reign of Henry III. might not unfairly be described as a long, persistent, and, on the whole, successful effort to establish an efficient government of Aquitaine from Bordeaux, and thus to bring the naval strength and commercial resources of England to bear in the best possible manner against the growing power of the French Crown. After the shock which the English position had sustained under John, and during the minority of Henry, such a task, in the hands of so feeble a prince, might well appear impossible. That it succeeded, so far at least as to form an effective basis for the work of Edward I., was due to the action of feudal forces on a larger area than that of the English provinces, taken by themselves. For a time those greater forces absorbed and neutralized the smaller.

"The minority of Louis IX. offered exactly the same opportunity for English interference in France which the earlier minority of Henry had offered for the French interference in England. It was a case of simple retaliation. Just as Louis VIII. had been called in by John's discontented subjects, so Henry was summoned to head the resistance of the great feudatories who fiercely writhed under the vigorous regency of Blanche, the French Queen-mother. Henry towered far above the heads of these men. Though actually he only held Aquitaine, he still received homage from Brittany and La Marche; he still regarded Normandy, Maine, Anjou, Touraine, and Poitou as his own, torn shamefully by the French kings in its hour of weakness from the English Crown. It was a fine opportunity for a prince of a different sort from Henry. But though he exposed his deficiency in nearly all the qualities by which Blanche and the youthful Louis succeeded in saving their country, his wars and alliances, his very failures, were not without their effect in binding the people of Aquitaine to the English allegiance. He was obliged to be often present amongst them; and, when once there, the *oceanus dissociabilis* was not so easily dealt with as it is now-a-days, in a steam yacht supplied with every luxury. It was a serious sea voyage through the Bay of Biscay. Vast sums of money were spent in the province, by which Bordeaux especially benefited. English knights and archers, fighting under the same banner with their fellow-subjects, mingled freely with them, and learnt to distinguish friend from foe. Trade and commerce took a high development, and, indeed, became practically free. The system of administration became solidified. The result of the war was to simplify the task of government, for there was but one group of provinces left to deal with—those of Aquitaine in its more restricted sense.

"It was well both for France and England that Henry failed, and that Louis, now of age, safe at last from the renewal of the English claims upon North France, had the far-sighted wisdom to leave to his discomfited opponents a task in Aquitaine which would assuredly have been beyond his own powers. France had already, and somewhat rapidly, taken into her system as much as she could digest and assimilate. Both countries were thus left free to march forward in the paths of constitutional progress. For Aquitaine it was a clear gain that her nobles should for a time feel even the violent hand of Simon de Montfort, Earl of Leicester, contrast it with the gentle but feeble rule of Henry, and learn to value the firm and politic government of Prince Edward. In short, under Henry III.'s long reign we may compare the Gascons to some high-mettled, half-broken steed, struggling to throw the unskilful rider, but not quite succeeding, nor quite running away with him.

"Let us now descend from the height of these necessary generalizations, and, by way of obtaining a more particular view of the work that was going on in the reigns of Henry III. and the Edwards, suppose the reader to glance his eye over the middle portion of Carte's 'Catalogue of the Gascon Rolls.' The provincial organization being now nearly complete, it would be strange if the reflection did not occur to an Englishman that he is witnessing something with which he is more familiar than he expected to be. Is it mediæval Aquitaine, or is it modern India, whose government he is studying?—not, of course, in any sense whatever as to the people governed, but as to the multifarious nature of the administration, the multitude of English families engaged in the process, the interchange of products, the action and reaction of the two countries upon one another in peace and war, and the extremely delicate nature of their mutual relations. No colonial dependency of England has ever offered a similar parallel, nor, it may be safely said, ever will. In Aquitaine and in India alike the Englishman was, and is, a foreigner, with a home elsewhere: in our colonies men, with their families, settle, and only now and then return. Perhaps even, after an interval of five centuries, and in spite of glaring differences, something may yet be learnt from the parallelism. Not that ours is the only country which has had similar experiences; but when we have wearied ourselves with exploring the meagre colonial records of ancient and modern times, it is possible that we might find more satisfaction in studying what lies so near at hand.

"We have summed up Henry III.'s work, roughly enough no doubt, under the word 'Bordeaux.' This is the first idea which strikes the student of the Gascon Rolls. In the organization of Aquitaine it holds the central and all-important place. It will be admitted by the French themselves that they owe the development of this noble city to the English. Under their rule it became what it is now—the metropolis of South-western France. Here dwelt the Seneschal of Aquitaine, a veritable viceroy; here, in time of war, the king's lieutenant; here was the King of England's palace. Here dwelt the Constable and Controller of Bordeaux; hence the Archbishop, a mighty Metropolitan, governed the Church of the Province. Here was that famous Municipality whose roots struck down into the early ages of Christendom.

"Many were the great buildings left behind them by the English at this place It was a capital worthy of its political and commercial importance, and singularly adapted to be the point of union between a maritime people and a dependency which could only be reached by sea. Situated far up the estuary of the spacious Gironde, and yet not so far but that the largest fleets could ride safely on its 'noble tide,' while it was capable of the strong fortification which the English took care to provide, this place was pointed out by nature as the great emporium and citadel of that part of Europe, the radiating centre of a great civil and military administration.*

* Though of course many things have changed, the traveller finds it easier to conjure up the past at Bordeaux than at most places, for the river is the one great feature, and that does not change. The Garonne at Bordeaux is a far finer stream than the Thames at London, but it is more like it than any river in Europe on the point of its usefulness as a means of communication. Every species of merchandise finds its way, in spite of railways, from the sea-coast or the up-country in the great barges which

"No commercial city in France or England could compare with Bordeaux. London was wealthy and squalid: Bordeaux was wealthy and beautiful. On its ample quays were landed the corn, cheese, butter, skins, fish, leather, rope, and, above all, the tin, the wool, and the cloth of England. From thence issued forth to the British and Flemish ports great fleets of wine-ships, generally sailing together for mutual protection, and governed, like men-of-war, by codes of laws. Free trade between the English and Gascons anticipated by centuries the modern lessons of political economy, and gave unfettered vigour to the commerce of both countries. Not only did all the roads of the province converge to Bordeaux, but it was the centre of that remarkable river-system already mentioned. The Garonne, the Dordogne, and the Adour, with their numerous affluents, circled throughout the whole extent of the land, and afforded admirable means of communication with the neighbouring provinces. Hence the extraordinary magnitude of the Gascon wine trade. This formed the staple commodity of the whole province, and bestowed life and wealth on the whole population. The merchants sailed with their own wines in their own ships. Of such value were these wines to England that the nobles, bishops, clergy, the king himself, and the queen, all traded on their own account.* Sure of a hospitable welcome in the English ports, this fine Gascon commerce, not unnaturally, attracted the jealousy of the French, and numerous were the conflicts in which the Gascon and English traders fought on the same side against their rivals of the northern and north-western coasts of France. These contests never attained the dimensions of the great and furious battle between the Anglo-Gascon and Franco-Norman fishing fleets, which was the prelude of the Hundred Years' War; but they were the same in kind.

"In short, each country was useful to the other in a degree which it requires in these days a stretch of imagination to conceive. No wonder, then, that the policy of the English Government was uniformly and consistently favourable towards its Gascon subjects, and so formed a powerful counterpoise to the inducements which were always presenting themselves in favour of the growing French sovereignty. As the northern and south-eastern, and then the eastern and the north-eastern, provinces of France came, one after another, under the direct dominion of the French Crown, it was impossible but that the fashion of the times, the pressure of the ever-tightening circle drawn round this isolated province, and the ties of blood, should operate in many directions towards incorporation with France. Even the language of the hereditary English princes and governing class was beginning to change under English influences; and the Gascons, however patriotically they might adhere to their own provincial dialect in preference to French, could not but feel English to be a foreign tongue. Each generation brought out the foreign element more and more. On the other hand, generation after generation had grown up under most advantageous relations with their hereditary princes, princes who had poured the resources of England into their lap; and they felt that they were holding a higher position as England's favoured dependency than they could expect to hold as an incorporated portion of overgrown France. If Aquitaine had been bounded by any natural frontier, its independence, it is easy to see, would have had a much longer duration. As it was, Bordeaux, the heart to and from which the arteries and veins of social and political life set forth and returned, retained its English vitality so much longer than all the rest of Gascony, because it had a frontier of its own in the broad river which washed its quays. Only after a prolonged struggle, maintained by the loyal city to desperation, was its final transference to France accomplished. Only by the light of these events can the subsequent history of the Bordelais be understood. It is a very interesting history, and not a little suggestive.

"These observations apply in a minor degree to the whole of Aquitaine, though of course the interests of the cities were not only far from identical with those of the proprietors of land, but often opposed. The social and commercial quarrels common to the Middle Ages were to be found in full vigour, yet perhaps not more developed than elsewhere. But it may be safely said that nowhere was a politic rule more necessary in order to keep the two countries working together in tolerable harmony, and this policy was more easily understood, formulated, and maintained in reference to the commercial cities and classes than to the rest. Indeed, it came to very little more in the end than letting them do what they pleased. The popular Assembly gradually became the actual Government, though under the gentle control of English, or Anglo-Gascon, officials. But it was a much more difficult matter to deal with the great nobles and inland proprietors. It is of them chiefly, no doubt, that Froissart speaks when he says: 'Never were the Gascons firmly attached to one lord for thirty years together. Such is their unstable nature.'† The very necessity under which the English lay to grant concessions, pardons, and privileges formed an incessant inducement to turbulence.

"Nor was it to be expected that, however plainly the governing race might, as a whole, perceive the necessity of a mild and beneficent rule, its particular members, placed in situations of command, should always make themselves agreeable. The English have not always been celebrated for conciliatory conduct, and that those in command must be English was in times of trouble—and these were the rule—a necessity. The chief military and civil posts were thus held by noblemen, knights, esquires, and ecclesiastical lawyers, who were too often regarded with jealousy and dislike. Perhaps, as in the case of Simon de Montfort, they were not so much disliked by the smaller landholders as by the larger; but no doubt M. Monlezun is right when he says: 'We

line the whole length of the quays; but, unlike the Thames, these quays retain their ancient shelving construction, so that ships are still loaded and unloaded in the stream just as they were in the time of the English. Few views are finer than that from the end of the great bridge, from whence a forest of masts and a continuous crescent of handsome buildings meet the eye for more than three miles. It is still more striking at night. The citizens can hardly be blamed for anti-English feeling in having got rid of the civil buildings, erected by the English, for they have actually carted away the beautiful and unique Roman monument called "Piliers de Tutelle," which, even in the last century, occupied the site of the present fine Opera-house; but it is nevertheless true that the only buildings, with one slight exception, which imagination can people with the ancient rulers of Aquitaine, are the churches. Of these, the Cathedral is the one most identified with the English, but it is not of a style which does much credit to their architects, and loudly calls for judicious restoration. The beautiful Romanesque façade of La Sainte Croix, and the interesting interior of St. Seurin, were built before their time, but within those walls they worshipped. The chief remaining glory of the English period lies not in Bordeaux, but in the handsome country churches which sprang up under English influences, calling out, as their system of government did, local energy and individual taste

* "Hist. du Commerce, etc., à Bordeaux." Par M. Francisque-Michel. † Book III., c. 21.

Gascons, a gay and lively race, were never able to adapt ourselves to the grave and solemn manners of the English. To this antipathy was soon added the pain of seeing all the seneschalties and captaincies given to the men "d'outremer."'* But he is contradicted by a multitude of facts when he makes the sweeping statement that 'the English Government had never been favourably received by the Gascons, notwithstanding the material advantages they had received from it.' Much more truly does the learned historian of the Monastery of St. Sever remark: 'The citizens and monks of St. Sever were always faithful to the English, not only because they recognized them as the legitimate lords of the province, but because of the numerous benefits they received from them. For this reason many a time have they suffered from the hostility of the French; but they bore themselves like brave men, accustomed to arms, and over and over again drove back the enemy.'† Nor may we refuse to believe that most accurate geographer, Adolphe Joanne, when he tells us that 'Les Landes, like a large part of Aquitaine, exhibited the warmest sympathy for the English, who, in a certain measure, represented liberty, municipal privileges, and decentralization.'‡ References of the same sort might be multiplied to any extent.

"Under these general circumstances a very large portion of the Gascon Rolls is, as we might expect, occupied with embassies and alliances, grants and forfeitures, appointments of officers, commissions of inquiry, musters of troops, and commercial privileges. Nor is it impossible, when once set upon the track, to perceive, as time goes on, amidst the coming and going of officials and the multitude of official details, a certain undercurrent of policy, sparingly indeed, but persistently pursued. This is the policy of gradually entrusting the Gascons themselves with their own government, educating with this view promising young men at the English Court—even settling them in England, and using the services of the more capable amongst them for civil and military purposes in England itself. Thus the two parts of the little Empire were to be knit together, and the reciprocal advantages in trade and commerce, which formed the basis of the connection, to be extended to the social life and territorial inheritances of both peoples. It is needless to say that it is under the reign of the great statesman-monarch, Edward I., that we begin to trace the progress of these ideas, but the way had been prepared by himself during the reign of his father."

The reader now understands the type of man that Gascony bred in those days, and that Richard Cœur-de-Lion had about him, and Philip of Poictou was one of his most trusted followers.

Turning from the history of the *milieu* in which Philip of Poictou lived, let us see what mediæval history has to say of the man himself.

In the Chronica Rogeri de Hoveden we read:—

A.D. 1195, Dec. 29. "Eodem anno, quinto Natalis Domini die, Bertramnus,‖ Dunelmenis ecclesiæ prior, occurrit Huberto Cantuariensi archiepiscopo apud Alvertonam, et ibi coram eo eligit magistrum Philippum clericum et familiarem Ricardi regis Angliæ in Dunelmensem episcopam."

Gervasius§ too tells us of the election of Philip to the Bishopric of Durham. Walter di Coventria has much to say about Philip of Poictou. He tells us he was made Archdeacon of Canterbury by King Richard (1198) and nominated by Geoffery to the deanery of York, being elected to the see of Durham at Northallerton. He was sent to England by Richard to visit the exchequer, had a license to coin, gave the Archdeaconry of Durham to his nephew Aimericus, and in addition procures that of Carlisle for him. He then went to Rome on Richard's behalf, and was consecrated there; after which he went to Cologne to the Imperial election. He recovered Sadberge and had license to Cliffe and Crayke. At this time King Richard corresponds with him and he loses the Manor of Cliffe and has disputes about Coldingham, in which he yielded. After this he was directed to meet the King of Scots and to consecrate the miserable Giraldus. He was allowed a fair at Northallerton, and is again directed to take the King of Scots to London, being present at the homage ceremony. He then went on a pilgrimage to Compostella, and was at St. Jean D'Angleby at Easter in the year 1201, after which he returned from Compostella, and was a witness of Berangarina's marriage, dying in 1208—the see of Durham remaining vacant until 1213.

Bishop Philip was originally the clerk-in-attendance on Richard Cœur-de-Lion, and Professor H. M. Gwatkin of Cambridge tells me it must not be assumed that he was then in priest's orders. He could receive them after election, if he were only a deacon before.

The same then can be assumed of Aimeric, his son or nephew, for after all it is to him we have been working. Indeed we know that both Bishop Philip and Aimeric were laymen before they "took orders." Let us see then what the historians of the Middle Ages have to tell us of Aimeric, his son or nephew:—

Walter de Coventria, p. 103, Vol. II. (Rolls Series).

"A.D. 1196. Item eodem anno obiit Petrus de Ros, quo defuncto Ricardus rex Angliæ dedit Aimerico,

* Vol. III., p. 396. Here the writer has the authority of Froissart.

† P. D. de Buisson, O.S.B., Vol. I., p. 272.

‡ "Géog. du Dép. des Landes," 12th edition.

‖ Bertramnus was prior of Durham 1188—1209.

§ "Gevasii Monachi cantauriensis opera historia," Vol. I., p. 130.

nepoti Philippi Dunelmensis electi, archidiaconatum Carleoli, et dictis Philippus dedit dicto Aimerico nepoti suo Archidiaconatum de Dunelmo, et ecclisiam de Acclet, quœ prædictus Bucardus habuerat."

Idem. A.D. 1198, p. 118, Vol. II. "Eodem anno Aimericus, Dunelmensis archidiaconus, disseisiarit monachos Dunelmensis eccliasiæ de Villa de* Herserville, quam Henricus de Puteaco eis dederat in puram et perpetuam eleemosynam, ad sustentationem monachorum in Fincheale Deo servientium. Servientes vero, qui missi fuerant ad præfatam disseisinam faciendam, fregerunt ostia domorum monachorum, et monachos ibi inventos violenter ejecerunt. Cum autem idem Aimericus, interrogatus si violentia illa per illum facta fuisset, et respondisset quod non, monachi Dunelmenses, convocatis dero et populo civitatis in ecclesia beati Cuthberti, excommunicaverunt omnes hujus violentiæ anctores, consiliarios, fautores, accensis candelis, et pulsates majoribus ecclesiæ campanis."

Idem. A.D. 1198, Vol. II., p. 136. "Sed qui Aimericus Dunelmensis archiadiaconus obsedit eccelsiam Sancti Oswaldi in Elvet, in qua monachi se receperait, et non permuset victualia ad eos deferri. Quadem autem die, post appellationem a monachis ad summum pontificem factam, idem Aimericus fecit ignem apponi ostio ecclesiæ, at sic per fumum et vaporem ignis monachos ejiceret. Semiusto igitur ostio, funesti satellites intraverunt ecclesiam, et vi et armata manu ejicerunt monachos."

We find then from the above that he was elected Archdeacon of Carlisle and Durham in 1196, and had the church of Acclet presented to him. In 1198 he gets quarrelling with the monks about Herserville Church, and his servants eject them by force, which Aimeric denied. The enraged monks excommunicated all their violent ejectors. Aimeric then besieged St. Oswald's Church in Durham, in which the monks had taken refuge, and cut off all food supplies, and finally smoked them out of the church.

Besides adding his signature to various deeds (already quoted) Aimeric did not make much history that we wot of, and in 1214, whilst still Archdeacon of Durham, he was made High Sheriff of Northumberland† for the year. I have read some other statements regarding him of doubtful authority, *e.g.*, that he was made Prebendary of Lichfield 1215. The librarian of Lichfield Cathedral has kindly made search in the Lichfield records, and tells me there is no record of any such fact at Lichfield.

Aimeric left issue, probably born before his consecration as Archdeacon, and Surtees‡ gives the issue as printed in the previous chapter, a son and two grandsons called Richard fil Emerie and Emerie fil Emerie, selling their lands in St. Oswald's Parish to Peter del Crook in 1200 and something (date obliterated, so Surtees tells us).

Then we next hear of Johannes Emeryson, who holds land in 1312 (?) at Stanley, in Brancepeth Parish, next to St. Oswald's Parish. Johannes must have been born in 1290 at the latest to be of age in 1312, and we know he was alive after 1350, as *Hutchinson* tells, quoted in the previous chapter. The earliest Emersons then we have record of were lords of manors, and freeholders possessing a hall and other tenements and messuages.

Then we get Geoffrey Emeryson in Yorkshire (1324), and next our earliest Cursitor Roll records Kirstan, *widow* of Robert Emeryson, of Weardale, mentioned in 1350; and Robert of Hatfield's Survey and William of Hatfield, the capellanus of Lanchester, first appear in the Cursitor Records‖ before 1400, and from these the key descends without difficulty to modern times.

Judging from the dates Aimeric must have brought his son over with him in 1198, when he was appointed Archdeacon, and in this connection it is interesting to follow Peter del Crook, and see how Crook Hall reverts to the Emersons for a time. For an Emerson marries Emma de Ryton, a widow (alive in 1350) and heir to John de Kirby of Crook Hall. They have issue Thomas Emeryson of Swalwell (alive in 1413), who has issue Robert Emerson of Swalwell, who sells lands to Roger Thornton, Jun., in 1463. Crook Hall seems to have passed away from the Emersons again.

And we shall find the Emerysons connected with the Church throughout early times, as tenants, as "Scriba," as parkers, as high foresters of the Bishops. We find, too, the name Richard coming down from the earliest times, as also we find on one occasion later the name written again Emerie, and on the other hand the surname Emery never occurs in Durham records. Miss Walford does not remember having met with it in all her searches. Mr. Howe of the Probate Registry says there are no wills in the registry under that name up to 1700, and I have not once seen the name Emery mentioned in connection with Co. Durham since 1300. The Emerys settled in the East and South of England—Lincoln, Kent and Hampshire.

* De = quæ dicitur.

† Brand's "History of Newcastle." ‡ "Hist. of Durham," Vol. IV., p. 137.

‖ *Vide* Cursitor Records printed in Appendix.

As I have said before, I am aware the above is not *proof* of my contention, but until it is disproved I shall abide by it.

Then we start on firm ground with Robert Emeryson, of Hatfield's Survey—Robert, the first parker of the Bishop's Park in Weardale, so far as is known ; but since the early records are in such a bad state Robert the husband of Kirstan may have been parker before him. Robert and his son John were the *free tenants* (liberi tenentes) and held by no servile tenure, but by military tenure, and Robert was comparatively well off for the times, though not so well off as John Emeryson, of Stanley. I merely state these facts to show the earliest Emersons were no ordinary free socagers, but minor gentry and noble freemen from the very earliest times, and if of Aquatanian origin, as I submit, never were other than free and independent men, and their descendants have inherited their independence of mind in all times and places.

We find, according to Hatfield's (1377) Survey, that Robert Emeryson held South Bedburn Hall (Hamsterley Parish) and Gibbsclose, and land in Weardale (Horsley). John his son held land in Weardale (Brussihous), and William the capellanus of Lanchester, also held in Weardale. Professor York-Powell found the following at the Bodleian, showing that Robert, Jun.'s, wife's name was Margery—Bod. Cal. Rolls, ch. 153 : Robt. Emeryson and Margt. his wife, etc., etc., Apl. 20, Ric. II. (1399), of Hamsterly and S. Bedburn. The Cursitor Rolls then give us Robert's children and those of Adam, one of his sons, and they tell us that Adam and Thomas were appointed parkers first and high foresters of Weardale afterwards to the Bishops of Durham.

On examining the pedigree we see then how the Wolsingham family originated with Robert himself, who held property there, which descended to Adam, whose descendants held property there to modern times ; how Thomas' descendants inherited the Weardale property ; how Robert, son of Thomas, brought the Darlington (Bondgate) property into the family ; how these properties were divided between his sons Robert and Thomas; how Robert's sons Richard, Thomas and Christopher died without issue—their property descended to Robert, a descendant of Leonard, the younger brother of Thomas and Robert aforesaid ; and how Thomas' children Robert and George inherited part of the property, and they dying without issue it descended to the sole survivor Margaret, who married one T. Phillip, one of whose daughters, Katherine, married Brian Emerson, of Weardale and Houghton, and so he joined the family by marriage, and was disclaimed in 1615 with Thomas of Darlington, a true descendant and the direct lineal descendant of the family.

This family was connected with the Eastgate, and possibly it was one of them who had the Eastgate coat granted to him. They were always in good position.

As for John, the eldest son of Robert of Hatfield, he may have been John Robinson Emerson referred to in the Cursitor Rolls, and probably was; if so he had a son John Robinson Emerson, who probably died without issue, as he bequeaths Rookhope property and his office to William, the son of William, *vide* pedigree. If he was not John Robinson Emerson I can find no further record of him as bearing issue.

I have incorporated Richard in the pedigree as a son of Robert of Hatfield, on the authority of the Court Rolls, but this is not proof of identity.

It will be seen that down to 1500 most of the names mentioned can be linked on to the tree, but in 1511 a number of names appear as foresters and tenants of the Bishops which I have been unable to place. They were obviously children of Robert's or William's sons, and all descended from one or the other ; and though many of the records existing at the end of the sixteenth century are obviously records of these very same persons, one is unable to give legal proof of the connection. The names of 1511 too show us how the family began to spread and take up positions, where many of them are to be found in modern times—such as at Horsley, Brotherlee, Eastgate, Westgate, etc., and other parts of Weardale; Eastgate being the residence of the forest officers, and Westgate Castle the place where the forest court was held and the military tenants paid their "jock-pennies."

The connection of the family with Brancepeth, Brearton, Houghton (Barmeton), Sunderland, Newcastle, Wolsingham, Lanchester, and other places in the county, are shown by the records, but it has not been worth while to elucidate these more fully in this place,

and anyone compiling a pedigree of his family will probably find material enough at hand to carry him back to 1511 ; fewer will find material enough to carry them back to 1350.

Turning now to William of Hatfield, "capellanus" of Lanchester, placed in the pedigree, Hatfield's Survey (1377—1380) gives him as holding lands value altogether 8s., but in the margin is added Robertus Emerisson, which leaves a doubt. This William may have been a brother of Robert of Hatfield, or a son—either is possible—and it will be noticed he held an office at *Lanchester*, when John of Stanley held "lady-land." Robert of Hatfield may have been the son of Robert, whose widow Kirstan lived in 1350, and William may have been issue of John of Stanley, who married Agnes Raw, who may have been brother of Robert of Weardale, whose widow Kirstan died in 1350 ; if so, this first Robert who married Kirstan, and John of Stanley, were probably sons of Richard Emeric—as the name Richard descends through the pedigree of Robert of Hatfield. But it is unprofitable to go on conjecturing, and I have only done so much to indicate lines of search to my successor when he appears.

William's family descends to 1511, when William is parker to the New Park and lives at Brotherlee. His will exists, and his descendants may be traced on from this time should anyone find it worth their while to do so.

I have tried later on in all cases to give what might be called the stolon pedigrees of the real Emersons in every county up to the end of the eighteenth century, so that future genealogists wishing to trace back would have little difficulty in going back to my roots, and should any important man arise from one of these roots they could easily work back ; for it is obviously not worth while to trace endless stolon families of no importance to the fountain head, even if we were able to do so and willing to give valuable time to the work.

The Weardale Forest, where so many Emersons held office, was the hunting ground of the Prince Bishop of Durham, who in those days was more of a man than the Bishops of to-day. A number of the villains in Bolden Book held by forest service, whilst later other portions were held by military tenure by free tenants, as the Fetherstonehalghs, Emersons, Rogerleys, Merleys, Maddisons, Nevilles, Blacketts, etc., all of whom were connected by marriage and the ancestors of important English families.

* Gradually the increase of tenants began to encroach upon the forest, so that a chase or park was enclosed and kept in order by the palacer, four high foresters and park-keepers, and later *circa* 1449, a new chase or park was enclosed. These enclosures were known by the names of Old and New Park. The New Park lay between Eastgate and Westgate and Northgate and Gate Castle on the South, at which cardinal points the foresters' lodges were situated—many of these officials holding farms as well. Leland gives its area at some fourteen miles.

It would be out of place to go into this matter in a genealogical history, and we give these few notes to show what manner of life was led by the early Emersons, for they were hereditary foresters and parkers, as the following imperfect list which I have compiled will show. There was a forest at Wolsingham too, and the bailiffs often lived at Wolsingham. This office in the palatinate of Durham was a very important office, the duties devolving on the officials being the same as those that occupied the Sheriffs of other counties.

LIST OF EMERSONS—HIGH FORESTERS, PARKERS AND BAILIFFS IN WEARDALE.

1381. Robert Emeryson, Parker of Stanhope Park.
1404. Thomas R. and Adam Emerson, sons of Robert, Parkers of Stanhope Park, confirmed 1433.
1434. Thomas Emerson, son of Robert Emerson, High Forester of Weardale.
1442. John Emerson (of Sunderland), High Forester of Weardale.
1445. Robert Emerson, Jun., Parker of half Stanhope Park for life.
1453. John Emerson, Parker of a quarter of Wolsingham Park.
1457. John and Robert Emerson, Parkers of Stanhope New Park and High Foresters of Weardale.
1501. Roland Emerson succeeds John Emerson (of Sunderland) as High Forester.
1506. William Emerson, son of Roland, Parker in place of John Emerson (alive) and High Forester.
1506. Geoffery, Henry and Robert Emerson, High Foresters of Weardale.
1506. Robert, Alexander and Henry Emerson, Foresters of Stanhope Park.
1530. Edward Emerson, Parker of Burnhope.
1535. Cuthbert Emerson (of the Eastgate), Sub-Forester and Parker.
1522—1542. Roland, Parker of Wolsingham Park.
1542. Henry Emerson, Forester of Roughside.

* "Stanhope and its Neighbourhood," W. M. Egglestone.

1542. George Emerson (of Eastgate), Parker of Stanhope New Park and High Forester. Resigns 1549.
15 . Robert Emerson (of the Eastgate), Parker, *sede vacante*—Tunstall.
1565. George Emerson, High Forester and Bailiff of Wolsingham, 1608.
1567. W. P. of Lionel Emerson, of Hunter's Banks, a Parker.
1608. George Emerson, Jun., Parker of Stanhope for life, Bailiff of Wolsingham, 1608.
1616. George Emerson, Bailiff of Wolsingham. Patent 12 Sep., 1616.
1616. Ralf Emerson, Bailiff of Wolsingham. " " "
1616. *Sicut* George; Robert Emerson *vel* Rolando Emerson *olim tenuere.*
1621. William Emerson.

Down to 1511 most of the family were in good circumstances; *e.g.*, in 1511 Robt. and John Emeryson give 100 marks for the pasturage of Stanhope Park and various frithopes. But after that time they increased so rapidly that many fell to yeomen and some even to labourers, as the Cursitor Records show. As I have said before, these Weardale tenants held by military tenure, *i.e.*, "The tenantry of Weardale in those times held by military tenure, a service on the borders, and keeping watch and ward in the bishopric. Being troubled by inroads from the Scots, the customary tenants and leaseholders had to do their service unto Her Majesty upon the borders fourteen days upon their own costs and charges, having ten days' duty on the borders, the other four days being allowed for the repairing thither and the return journey. Both night and day watches were also to be observed in the park and forest, upon the fells as occasion required, but more particularly from Lammas till Michaelmas, which, however, was often extended till St. Andrew's Day. The several watches were to be observed at Northgate, Winter Gap, Woolley Gate, White Hills, Dockehead, Middlehope, Wellhead, Hatfaw Newke, Chesterhooks, Sledgapp, Whitestones, Baylhill, Langingend, Irongrovehill, Old Irongrove, Burnthills, Cowhouse-head, Greenlaws, Windiep Sike (there several watches), in Harthope Cleugh (there several watches); and the duties being stated that the inhabitants within the forest and park were to keep due and true watches at the above places as appointed by the officers."*

There were watch-places on the low grounds too, including Ludwell-field, Whestnophope-burn-pot, Burniehope and Shittlehope—all residences of early Emerson families, whose duty it was to watch and kill the thieving and "fair-spoken" Scots. They also had to follow their chieftains on service and appear at musters, on horse or foot according to their means. They are reported to have been good soldiers and ever more than a match for the bragging Scots, as the old ballad of "Rookhope Ryde" commemorates, wherein less than 50 Englishmen led by Rowland Emerson, after an hour's fighting, killed four Scots, captured eleven, and routed the remaining 85, with the loss on the English side of their leader, Rowland Emerson.

ROOKHOPE RYDE.

(OLD BALLAD.)

Rookhope stands in a pleasant place,
If the false thieves wad let it be;
But away they steal our goods apace,
And ever an ill death may they dee!

And so is the men of Thirlwa' 'nd Willie-haver,
And all their companies thereabout,
That is minded to do mischief,
And at their stealing stands not out.

But yet we will not slander them all
For there is of them good enow;
It is a sore consumed tree
That on it bears not one fresh bough.

Lord God! is not this a pitiful case,
That men dare not drive their goods to t' fell,
But limmer thieves drives them away,
That fears neither heaven nor hell?

Lord, send us peace into the realm,
That every man may live on his own!
I trust to God, if it be his will,
That Weardale men may ne'er be overthrown.

For great troubles they've had in hand,
With Borderers pricking hither and thither,
But the greatest fray that e'er they had,
Was with the men of Thirlwa' 'nd Willie-haver.

They gather'd together so royally,
The stoutest men and the best in gear;
And he that rade not on a horse
I wat he rade on a weel-fed mear.

So in the morning, before they came out,
So weel I wot they broke their fast;
In the [forenoon they came] unto a bye fell,
Where some of them did eat their last.

When they had eaten, aye and done,
They say'd, some captains here needs must be!
Then they choosed forth Harry Corbyl,
And Symon Fell, and Martin Ridley.

Then o'er the moss, where as they came,
With many a brank and whew,
One of them could to another say,
"I think this day we are men anew.

* W. M. Egglestone, "Stanhope and Neighbourhood," p. 24.

"For Weardale men is a journey ta'en,
They are so far out o'er yon fell,
That some of them's with the two earls,
And others fast in Bernard Castell.

"There we shall get gear enough,
For there is nane but women at hame;
The sorrowful feud that they can make,
Is loudly cries as they were slain."

Then in at Rookhope Head they came,
And there they thought tul a had their prey,
But they were spy'd coming over the Dry-rig,
Soon upon Saint Nicholas' day.

Then in at Rookhope Head they came,
They ran the forest but a mile;
They gather'd together in four hours
Six hundred sheep within a while.

And horses I trow they gat,
But either ane or twa;
And they gat them all but ane,
That belang'd to great Rowley.

That Rowley was the first man that did them spy,
With that he raised a mighty cry;
The cry it came down Rookhope Burn,
And spread through Weardale hastily.

Then word came to the bailiff's house,
At the Eastgate where he did dwell;
He was walked out to the Smale-burns,
Which stands above the Hanging-well.

His wife was wae when she heard tell,
So weel she wist her husband wanted gear;
She gar'd saddle him his horse in haste,
And neither forgot sword, jack, nor spear.

The bailiff got wit before his gear came,
That such news was in the land;
He was sore troubled in his heart,
That on no earth that he could stand.

His brother was hurt three days before,
With limmer thieves that did him prick;
Nineteen bloody wounds lay him upon,
What ferly was't that he lay sick?

But yet the bailiff shrinked nought,
But fast after them he did hie;
And so did all his neighbours near,
That went to bear him company.

But when the bailiff was gathered,
And all his company;
They were numbered to never a man
But forty under fifty.

The thieves was numbered a hundred men,
I wat they were not of the worst
That could be choosed out of Thirlwa' 'nd Willie-
[I trow they were the very first.*] [haver,

But all that was in Rookhope-head,
And all that was i' Nuketon-cleugh,
Where Weardale-men o'ertook the thieves,
And there they gave them fighting eneugh.

So sore they made them fain to flee,
As many was "a'" out of hand;
And, for tul have been at home again,
They would have been in iron bands.

And for the space of long seven years,
As sore they mighten a' had their lives;
But there was never one of them
That ever thought to have seen their wives.

About the time the fray began,
I trow it lasted but an hour,
Till many a man lay weaponless,
And was sore wounded in that stour.

Also before that hour was done,
Four of the thieves were slain,
Besides all those that wounded were,
And eleven prisoners there was ta'en.

George Carrick and his brother Edie,
Them two, I wot they were both slain;
Harry Corbyl, and Lennie Carrick,
Bore them company in their pain.

One of our Weardale-men was slain,
Rowland Emerson his name hight;
I trust to God his soul is well,
Because he fought unto the right.

But thus they say'd, "we'll not depart
While we have one;— speed back again!"
And when they came amongst the dead men,
There they found George Carrick slain.

And when they found George Carrick slain,
I wot it went well near their heart;
Lord, let them never make a better end,
That comes to play them sicken a part.

I trust to God, no more they shall,
Except it be one for a great chance;
For God will punish all those
With a great heavy pestilence.

Thir limmer thieves, they have good hearts,
They nevir think to be o'erthrown;
Three banners against Weardale-men they bare,
As if the world had been their own.

Thir Weardale-men, they have good hearts,
They are as stiff as any tree;
For if they'd every one been slain,
Never a foot back man would flee.

And such a storm amongst them fell,
As I think you never heard the like;
For he that bears his head so high,
He oft-times falls into the dyke.

And now I do entreat you all,
As many as are present here,
To pray for [the] singer of this song,
For he sings to make blithe your cheer.

It is curious to note how the Aquatanian emigrants to England were notable for their love of sport. As Professor Montague Burrows has shown us in the history of the Brocas family, the hereditary masters of the Royal Buckhounds were of Aquatanian origin, so I find were the hereditary high foresters of Weardale—the Emersons Doubtless many of the Emersons, who early in the sixteenth century migrated to other parts of England, went

* The reciter, from his advanced age, could not recollect the original line thus imperfectly supplied.—Ritson

thither as foresters, for we find them settling in districts where there were Kings' chases and other forests, *e.g.*, Thomas Emerson, of Skelton, high forester, W.P. 1516; Thomas Emerson, of King's Barton, Co. Gloucester; Emersons, of Enfield; Emersons about Waltham, Co. Essex, and Emersons of Hatyfield, mentioned in the Black Book of the Northern Forests, etc. Then John Emeryson, of Folkingham, is found on the Earl of Lincoln's property, and the Southwark family, originated with a Lincolnshire bowyer,* William Emerson, W.P. 1575. It is not surprising, therefore, if in modern times this love of war, sport and nature should show itself in the family.

There is little more to say of this early family apart from genealogical facts. A family of minor gentry sprung from Aquatania, where men had ever been free, they brought this love of freedom, war and sport with them, and far from the madding crowd lived honourable and healthy lives with nature and their few sympathetic friends, doing their share to protect the marches of England from the fair-spoken Scot, and the red-deer from its multifarious enemies—leading a sane and healthy life, neither ambitious nor distinguished—and would that more of the name could follow such a life to-day.

Chapter IV.

History of the Various Emerson Families in Different Counties.

I.

Emersons of Co. Northumberland.

As will be remembered Northumberland was (until quite recently) under the government of the Bishop of Durham, and probably the first connection of the Emerson family with the county was in 1214, when Aimeric, Archdeacon of Durham, was made High Sheriff of Northumberland† for one year; very possibly leaving a son or grandson in the county, for by the early Assize Roll, Northumberland, 40 Hen. III. (A.D. 1256), there is mention of Ricardus de Emmers—possibly the Archdeacon's grandson, Richard Emerie, whose name was misspelt by a scribe. Richard may have been living in Co. Durham however, and most likely so, for the name does not once appear in the early Northumberland records, including the Lay Subsidies to 32 Hen. VIII.—in which, however, it is noteworthy to remark some filii Emme appear. And though Emmers is a curious spelling of Emerie, the scribes of that day were guilty of far more careless versions of a name.

The next Emerson that appears (in Durham records) is James Emerson, of Lowyk, in Norhamshire, who seeks sanctuary at Durham in 1514 for having killed one Walker at Lowyk with "bastardo sworde" for insulting him. This James was doubtless in the border service to check the inroads of the thievish Scots, and it is to be hoped the man Walker was a Scot, as his name suggests. The hot blood of Aquatania evidently still ran strongly in James' veins. "Nicolao Swinburn, *literato*, *testibus*."

The next is a sailor, Rowland (a good Weardale name) Emerson, master mariner, and probably the first marine Emerson that ever lived, who appears in the muster roll of 30 Hen. VIII., 1539, "as one of sixty-four who promised to provide harness for the King's service." Rowland evidently knew a good king when he had him.

We now come to undoubted Durham families settling in the county, but chiefly at Newcastle; the earliest record that I have of them being an indenture, dated 7 March, 1561—2, between John Marley, of Whickham, yeoman, and George Emerson, of Newcastle, yeoman, concerning land in Whickham (printed in Appendix).‡ These early Newcastle Emersons demonstrably came from Durham, and they afterwards held lands at Whickham and Lamesley

* A maker of bows. † Brand's "History of Newcastle."

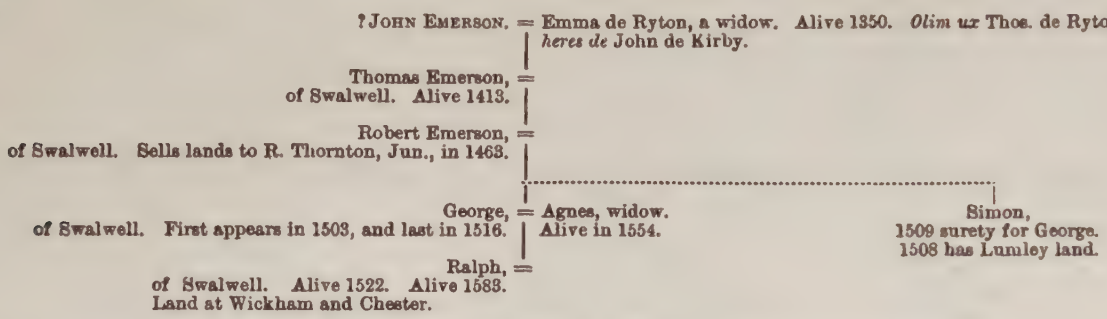
‡ *Vide* Deeds in App.

close by. They seem to have intermarried with some of the great merchant families of Newcastle, as Carr, Tomlinson and Barker, as can be seen by the wills of these merchants in the Appendix. Some of the family kept to agriculture, others became merchants, skinners and glovers, and others maltsters—which I take "hoastmen" to mean—and some smaller tradesmen.

The gaps in registers, and more especially wills, of the period are too numerous to build up a solid pedigree of the family; but such an one as I have been able to compile I append, and George Emerson, yeoman, will proved 1596, is the first man I can place at the top. From what Durham branch he came I cannot *positively* say, but the evidence seems to me sufficient to hazard a conjecture that he was a son of Humphrey, of Ryton, who married a Marley.

Swalwell.

Emma, widow of Thomas de Ryton, heir to John de Kirkby, of Crook Hall, marries an Emerson. They have a son, Thomas Emerson, who has lands at Swalwell. He has a son, Robert Emerson, of Swalwell, who sells lands to Roger Thornton, of Newcastle. Robert has a son George, of Swalwell, who has a son Ralph, of Swalwell. Crook Hall is in Lanchester Parish.


?John Emerson. = Emma de Ryton, a widow. Alive 1350. Olim ux Thos. de Ryton heres de John de Kirby.
Thomas Emerson, of Swalwell. Alive 1413. =
Robert Emerson, of Swalwell. Sells lands to R. Thornton, Jun., in 1463. =
George, of Swalwell. First appears in 1503, and last in 1516. = Agnes, widow. Alive in 1554.
Simon, 1509 surety for George. 1508 has Lumley land.
Ralph, of Swalwell. Alive 1522. Alive 1583. Land at Wickham and Chester. =

1527. Robert, of Swalwell, has the mill.

At the end of the sixteenth century we find one Thomas Emerson keeping a tavern at Barwick (Berwick), 1592—3, who is a freeman of London and gives evidence before the Committee for the North denying that he was ever in Flanders, "or spake of an army coming to Ostend."† It does not say where he was born, but his pedigree is given under the Emersons of London and Middlesex (*q.v.*).

In the seventeenth century we find several Emersons coming to be apprenticed to Newcastle merchant adventurers: (1) Arthur, son of Brian, of Eastgate, apprenticed to William Jennison, 1612; possibly afterwards Arthur Emerson, of Dublin, armiger, 1692. (2) John Emerson, son of George, of Ludwell, apprenticed to Robert Bewick, 1616 (*vide* Ludwell Emersons)—the spurious armiger. (3) Thomas, son of Thomas, gent. (?), of Kilham, apprenticed to Robert Ellison, 1675. (4) John, son of John, of Newcastle, apprenticed to Sir Nathaniel Johnson, knight, 1681.

The above Thomas was son of Ralf Emerson, of Kilham (adm. 1654 by his wife Alice), who was the *only* son of Ralf Emerson by his wife Alice, of Kilham, whose administration was granted 165$\frac{4}{5}$. Thomas, the father of Thomas, Jun., was convicted of recusancy (Recusant Rolls, 1669). Whence this family came I know not. Since Thomas is described as a "gentleman," the family must have been of some substance. Fuller details of these indentures will be found in the Appendix.

John Emerson, of Newcastle, who was of the Eastgate Emersons (*vide* Ludwell Emersons), was an important and wealthy merchant of the time; a Puritan, moreover, and elected as sheriff in 1639, in troublous times. He was alderman and mayor of the town at the Visitation (1660). He is the John Emerson who bought part of Wolsingham Manor in 1646, and signed the indenture for Parliament. He was a uxorious man and married his three wives as all good Emersons should, leaving mostly female issue, as far as I can trace. There is a mural tablet to his memory in St. Nicholas Church, Newcastle, the arms he *used* being impaled with those of his three wives; but I regret to say, though John was a good citizen, he was an imposter so

* Swalwell though in Durham is included here as this family were in all probability connected chiefly with Newcastle.—P. H. E.

† S.P. Domestic, Eliz., 246, No. 14.

far as his arms were concerned, for on this tablet is given the Lincolnshire coat and other details referred to in Chapter II., on armorial Emersons. The Newcastle Emersons never had a coat of arms, and probably Mr. John Emerson took them from the Kail Cross at Newcastle, where they had been placed in 1617 by Thomas Emerson of the *Southwark* family, when he presented the crosses to Durham and Newcastle. Let it be hoped we shall never hear of the arms of the Newcastle Emersons again. He was a merchant; his brother *Ralf, of Witton Gilbert*, was a yeoman, as were his other brothers, the Eastgate Emersons, which see under Ludwell Emersons. He was not even one of the Newcastle families of Emersons, *i.e.*, descendants of George, who first appears in 1561 in the indenture with Marley *re* Whickham lands. He left no male issue.

I find other stragglers of the family at Newcastle, and one John Emerson at Screnwood, whose inventory amounted to £387 3s. 4d., the administration being dated August, 1663 (he left a son George and a widow Jane); but no others of much consequence beyond those already mentioned or their descendants, although the first Emerson who entered the medical profession is probably Cuthbert Emerson, who signs the ordinance of the barber-surgeons of Newcastle, 13 June, 1635—probably Cuthbert of Gateshead. In 1657, Ralph (qy. brother of Thos. of Kilham), of Dilston, Northumberland, witnesses Sir Ed. Redcliffe's will. A Robert Emerson, of Ludwell, went to Fetherstonehalgh, probably on the border service, after 1610. I find one John Amerson* in Norhamshire again in 1670—1, who has to pay £11 for moiety of corn tithe to the Ancroft Chaplery, Subsidy Act, 1670—1, possibly a descendant of James, of Lowyck (Norhamshire), who killed Walker. I find a Robert Emberson at Newcastle in 1572, one of the earliest spellings in this variant.

It is evident that the Emersons never grew very thickly in Newcastle or in Northumberland, and that such families as there were hailed from Co. Durham.

II.

Emersons of Co. Durham.

All essential details of the majority of these families are given in the printed pedigrees, so we will not repeat them here.

Durham City.

The earliest record of the family is of course the Archdeacon, 1195, and his sons and grandsons, Lords of Sidgate Manor (just outside Durham), afterwards called Crook Hall.

Our next record is Robert Emerson, *gent.*, 1433, given in a list of gentry published in Surtees' "History of Co. Durham." This Robert I cannot at present place for certain.

Next we have Richard, the scriba of the Priory, 1486, who marries Isabell, and who with George = Alice are in the Liber Vitæ as subscribers to the rebuilding of the cathedral.

Then wills and registers allow us to compile the following pedigree of Durham City, Lanchester, Brancepeth, Trimdon, Twizell, White Hurworth and Reedmarshall—all in the neighbourhood. Some families we cannot connect at all. It will be seen some of them are connected by marriage with the Waltons, Pallicers, Rawdons, and other old families.

Emersons of Lanchester.

As we have said John Emeryson, of Stanley, Brancepeth Parish, appeared early in this parish, Surtees, Vol. I., p. 340. In 1350 Will de Raw (Cornsey) died, seized jointly with Jemima his wife of half manor of Cornsow by fealty and $\frac{1}{20}$ knight's fee of service, leaving Allan, son of John Bell, his nephew and heir. By Inq. 7° Hatfield (1352) he is said to have held 20 acres of the Bishop and 20 acres of Lord Hedley by fealty and 12d. and 8 acres. William Bell, brother of Allan Bell, was now heir. William Bell forsook the name of Bell and took that of Raw (Cornsay Raw) after his manor, and he died 20° Hatfield, 1365, as Will-o'-the-Raw, and left Agnes his sister, wife of John Emeryson, of Stanley, as heir. So John Emeryson became Lord of Cornsey Manor, also holding land in Hedleyhope and ladie lands of Lanchester Deanery. We then get Will, of Lanchester, Capellanus, evidently his son, though I have not the proof of the missing link. Will is also described of Buttesfield, Broomsheils and Satley.

* Raine's "History of North Durham."

Next we get Robert, of Lanchester. For in Surtees we read that in 1607 Sir H. Lumley and another grant ladie-lands, formerly occupied by Robert Emerson, evidently a descendant of John Emeryson, who married Agnes Raw. The Lanchester Registers are unfortunately very imperfect and some lost, the only record being that of Ralf Emerson. We have referred to Emersons of Broome under Co. Durham. Then we have Robert Emerson, who marries Alice Hardgill, collector of Lanchester, and holding lands at Burnhope and Hamsteels, which descend to his sons, Thomas, chaplain of Darlington, and Christopher, collector of Brancepeth, 1494, who both die without issue, and so they pass to another branch, *vide* Emersons of Darlington. In 1542 we find Henry, Forester of Roughside, in this parish, and we find later a William, of Eshe, claiming lands at Collierly, and later Anthony, of Pontop, *vide* Durham pedigree.

We cannot connect these people, and alas no Lanchester Emersons' wills survive, but these and those of Brancepeth are obviously descendants of John Emeryson, of Stanley (Brancepeth), and Agnes Raw, who held property in both places, John Emeryson having been co-Lord of the Manors of Stanley (Brancepeth) and Cornsey (Lanchester Parish). Stanley passed into possession of the Nevilles, nevertheless we find the vill held by Ralf Emerson (of Brancepeth) and his son-in-law, Nicholas Fetherstone, 1569 (Humberstone's Survey, etc.). This Ralf Emerson was well-to-do and appears in 1569 as a light horseman, armed and horsed, the wealthiest of the Emersons in that muster. He was probably a retainer of the better sort, but whence his origin I am unable to say. His will is dated 1581. I have been unable to trace his later issue for certain and guesses are useless.

There are several references to Emersons of the parishes close round Durham city in the records printed in the Appendix, but not sufficient data to compile pedigrees other than those given. It will thus be seen that though the family probably originated in those parishes and began as Lords of Manors and free tenants, or gentlemen of the period, owing to lost registers, etc., a complete pedigree cannot yet be made out. It will be seen, too, that the wealthier members of the family moved away to Hamsterley and into Weardale and elsewhere. Ralf, of Brancepeth, I once thought was possibly the long-lost armiger, Ralf, of Foxton, but on further search there is nothing whatever to connect him with Foxton and all the evidence points the other way, that he was not the armiger. The chief interest in these families is their pedigrees which are published above. Proceed we now to neighbouring parishes in which data sufficient for building short pedigrees exist.

Emersons of Witton Gilbert.

Ralf, of Witton, whose pedigree is given in the Ludwell Emersons. His daughters married Wilkinson and Meaburn. He was a yeoman and held office at Westgate office, the forest castle where rents, etc., were paid. In Surtees, Vol. I., p. 369, Robert Wrangham, Ralf Malome and others pardoned for purchasing 10 mess., 10 barns, 5 tofts, 5 gardens, 200 acres, 200 meadow, 100 pasture, 40 wood, 500 furze, 200 moor; and a little later, 28 Eliz., we get Ralf Emerson and others pardoned for purchasing the above Manor of Witton from Thos. Knevett, so he, too, was part Lord of a Manor though a yeoman as described in the Court Rolls. He was in the muster of 1569, armed with a spear and corselet. He was not the armiger Ralf as some have thought, and went out in female issue.

Emersons of Witton Chaplery (North Bedburn, Witton-le-Wear).

We find few records of Emersons in this parish. From the records we have been able to compile the following short pedigree:—

Thomas, = Ann Crawe,
of Witton-le-Wear. | in 1631 (by lic.).

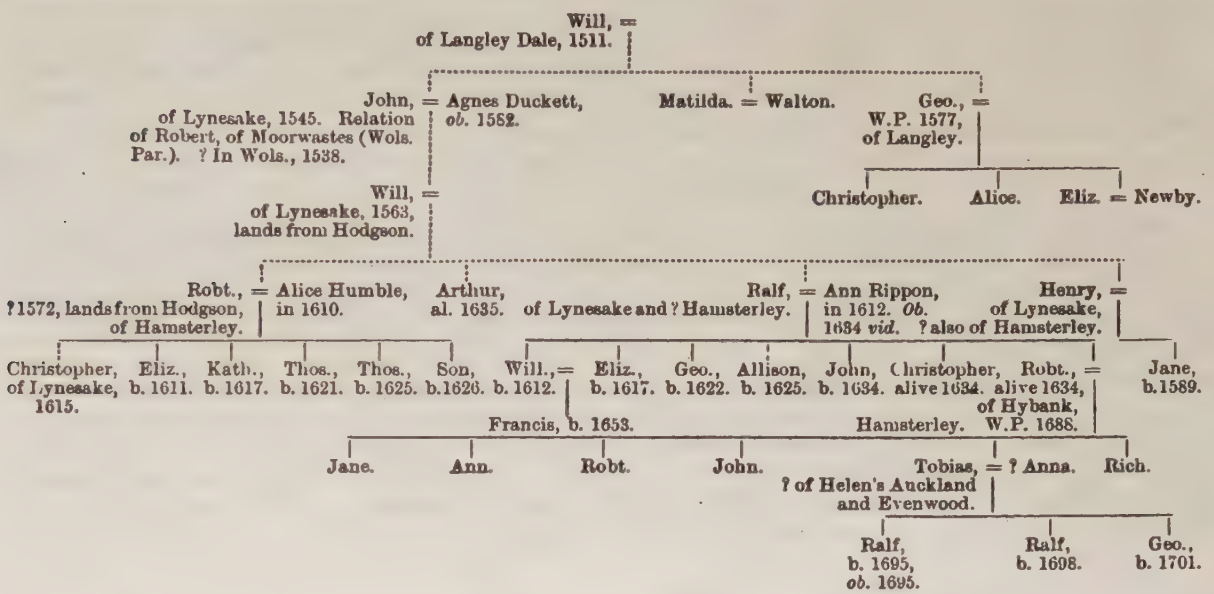
Dau., b. 1632.	Eliz., b. 1634.	Margt. b. 1635, *ob.* 1640.	Mary, b. 1640.	Thos., b. 1638.	Christopher, b. 1639.

In 1714 Ezra Emmerson, M.A. (Edin.), was curate of this Chaplery until 1735—the same Ezra Emerson who left £50 in his will to the Barnard Castle poor.

Emersons of Hamsterley Chaplery (Hamsterley, Lynesac and Softly, South Bedburn).

Bishop Philip, of Poictou, held lands here in 1200, and curiously enough we find Robert

Emeryson in Hatfield's Survey holding South Bedburn Hall as well as Gibbsclose, in Weardale. In 1399 Robert and his wife Margery surrender the property to Eure (Bodleian Cal. Rolls, ch. 153). It is evident the family fortunes underwent a change with him, for though he was thus early, 1375, in sufficient affluence to own South Bedburn Hall, his family soon descended to the position of yeomen after his sale of the property to Eure. Some of the descendants must have lived on in the parish, for as early as 1545 we find a John, of Lynesac, and various others of the name appear. I have compiled the following approximate pedigree from the Cursitor Rolls and wills:—

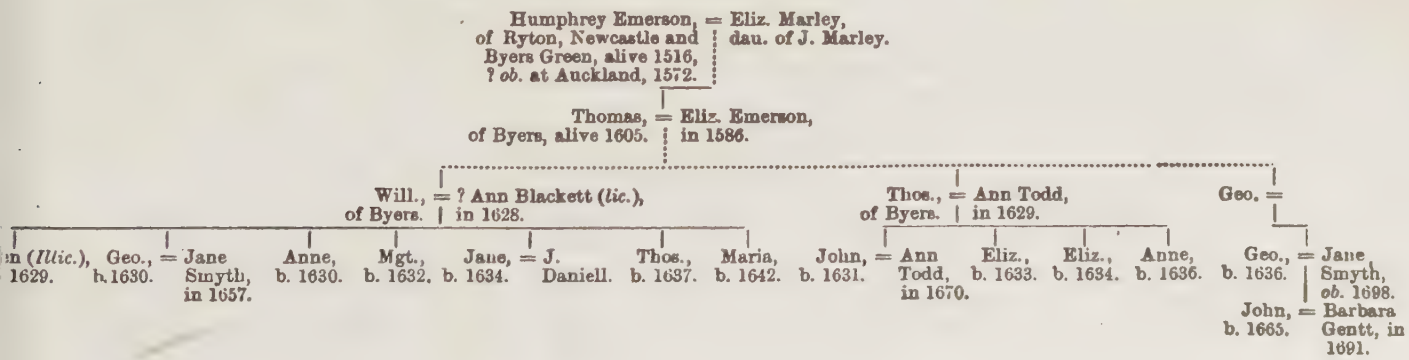

Will, = of Langley Dale, 1511.
John, = of Lynesake, 1545. Relation of Robert, of Moorwastes (Wols. Par.). ? In Wols., 1538.
Agnes Duckett, ob. 1562.
Matilda. = Walton.
Geo., = W.P. 1577, of Langley.
Christopher.
Alice.
Eliz. = Newby.
Will, = of Lynesake, 1563, lands from Hodgson.
Robt., = ?1572, lands from Hodgson, of Hamsterley.
Alice Humble, in 1610.
Arthur, al. 1635.
Ralf, = of Lynesake and ? Hamsterley.
Ann Rippon, in 1612. Ob. 1634 vid.
Henry, = of Lynesake, ? also of Hamsterley.
Christopher, of Lynesake, 1615.
Eliz., b. 1611.
Kath., b. 1617.
Thos., b. 1621.
Thos., b. 1625.
Son, b. 1626.
Will., = b. 1612.
Eliz., b. 1617.
Geo., b. 1622.
Allison, b. 1625.
John, b. 1634.
Christopher, alive 1634.
Robt., = alive 1634, of Hybank, Hamsterley. W.P. 1688.
Jane, b. 1589.
Francis, b. 1653.
Jane.
Ann.
Robt.
John.
Tobias, = ? of Helen's Auckland and Evenwood.
? Anna.
Rich.
Ralf, b. 1695, ob. 1695.
Ralf, b. 1698.
Geo., b. 1701.

It will be seen that the above pedigree is very tentative, by the dotted lines of doubt, but I think it will, if records turn up, prove nearly correct.

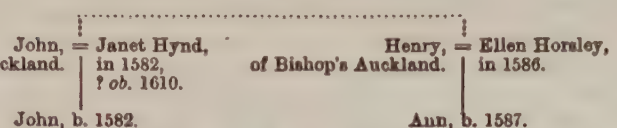
Emersons of St. Andrew's, St. Helens, Bishop's Auckland and Byers Green.

We have isolated records of early Emersons in many of these places, viz., Coundon, Old Thickley, Evenwood, Birtley (ancient bishop's forest), Newfield and Escomb, where Ezra Emerson, M.A. (Edin.), was curate. 1718—36, but not enough data to compile a pedigree. The records of these isolated individuals will be found in the Appendix.

Byers Green. Part of the possessions of the Nevilles. We find Humphrey Emerson de Ryton, 1511, afterwards described as of Byers Green, where he died, 1567. He heads the Newcastle Emersons (*q.v.*) and is included in the Byers Green pedigree. Other isolated names are Robert, of Byers Hill, 1530; a Martin, of Byers, b. at Auckland, 1565, alive at Byers 1610 (Longford Close).


Humphrey Emerson, = of Ryton, Newcastle and Byers Green, alive 1516, ? ob. at Auckland, 1572.
Eliz. Marley, dau. of J. Marley.
Thomas, = of Byers, alive 1605.
Eliz. Emerson, in 1586.
Will., = of Byers.
? Ann Blackett (lic.), in 1628.
Thos., = of Byers.
Ann Todd, in 1629.
Geo. =
n (Illic.), 1629.
Geo., b. 1630.
Jane Smyth, in 1657.
Anne, b. 1630.
Mgt., b. 1632.
Jane, b. 1634.
J. Daniell.
Thos., b. 1637.
Maria, b. 1642.
John, b. 1631.
Ann Todd, in 1670.
Eliz., b. 1633.
Eliz., b. 1634.
Anne, b. 1636.
Geo., b. 1636.
Jane Smyth, ob. 1698.
John, b. 1665.
Barbara Gentt, in 1691.

Bishop's Auckland. The following short pedigree is all that I can compile of this place from the register :—



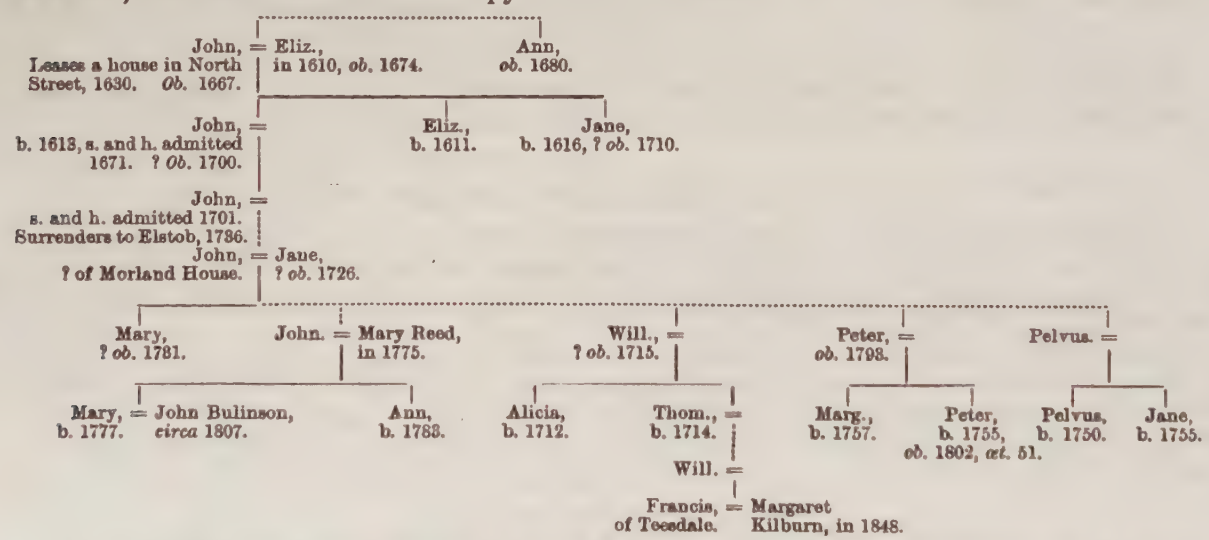
Rev. Ezra Emmerson, Parson of Bishop's Auckland, *ob.* Dec. 25th, 1733, leaving £50 per annum to poor of Barnard Castle.

There is an isolated James in Muster Roll, 1569. *ob.* 1590, and Robert, alive 1494.

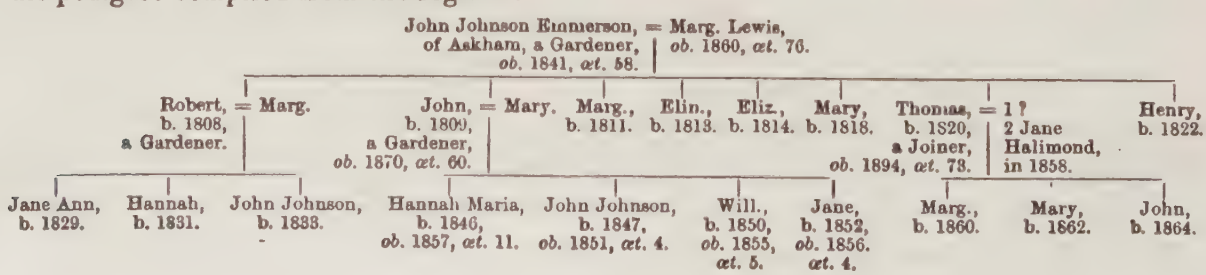
Helen's Auckland. There is a short pedigree of Tobias Emerson, who is evidently Tobias, a scion of the Lynesake family; the pedigree will be found under Lynesake. There is an isolated Ralf, of Helen's Auckland, in 1574.

Emersons of Sedgefield Parish.

The earliest record of Emersons in this place is John Emerson, of Sedgefield (1616), Cursitor Roll. He was on the jury and therefore one of the most prominent inhabitants, evidently a farmer; evidently the man described as a "common calliver" in 1612. Emersons then appear as copyholders, when John Emerson (copyholder, 1630) buys a house in North Street, rent 2d., fined 6d., which descends to John, admitted 1701 (*vide* App.). The next record is the mention of Morland House in Sedgefield, 1727, belonging to John Emerson, of Stokesley, Co. York, an ancestor of the Emersons of Easby Hall, *q.v.* under modern pedigree (Co. York). This house was probably bought by John Emerson, Senior, as Sedgefield was noted at that period for its genial climate. I have been unable to compile any satisfactory pedigree from the well-kept register, but give a tentative skeleton. It is possible John, of Morland, and John the last of the copyholders are related.


John, Leases a house in North Street, 1630. Ob. 1667.
Eliz., in 1610, ob. 1674.
Ann, ob. 1680.
John, b. 1613, s. and h. admitted 1671. ? Ob. 1700.
Eliz., b. 1611.
Jane, b. 1616, ? ob. 1710.
John, s. and h. admitted 1701. Surrenders to Elstob, 1736.
John, ? of Morland House.
Jane, ? ob. 1726.
Mary, ? ob. 1781.
John.
Mary Reed, in 1775.
Will., ? ob. 1715.
Peter, ob. 1793.
Pelvus.
Mary, b. 1777.
John Bulinson, circa 1807.
Ann, b. 1783.
Alicia, b. 1712.
Thom., b. 1714.
Will.
Francis, of Tecsdale.
Margaret Kilburn, in 1848.
Marg., b. 1757.
Peter, b. 1755, ob. 1802, æt. 51.
Pelvus, b. 1750.
Jane, b. 1755.

About 1800 a gardener moved to Sedgefield, one John Johnson Emmerson, and I append his pedigree compiled from the register.


John Johnson Emmerson, of Askham, a Gardener, ob. 1841, æt. 58.
Marg. Lewis, ob. 1860, æt. 76.
Robert, b. 1808, a Gardener.
Marg.
John, b. 1809, a Gardener, ob. 1870, æt. 60.
Mary.
Marg., b. 1811.
Elin., b. 1813.
Eliz., b. 1814.
Mary, b. 1818.
Thomas, b. 1820, a Joiner, ob. 1894, æt. 73.
1 ? 2 Jane Halimond, in 1858.
Henry, b. 1822.
Jane Ann, b. 1829.
Hannah, b. 1831.
John Johnson, b. 1833.
Hannah Maria, b. 1846, ob. 1857, æt. 11.
John Johnson, b. 1847, ob. 1851, æt. 4.
Will., b. 1850, ob. 1855, æt. 5.
Jane, b. 1852, ob. 1856, æt. 4.
Marg., b. 1860.
Mary, b. 1862.
John, b. 1864.

Emersons of Fishburn and West Murton.

We find a small family of Emersons here. John, s. of Thos., and John, of Fishburn, are probably related.

Thos. = Hanna Hutchinson, in 1655, al Embleton.
- John, b. 1655.

John, = of Fishburn.
- Ralf, b. 1755.
- John. = Ann Wilson, in 1787.
  - Eliz., b. 1788.
  - Marg., b. 1795.
  - John, *ob.* 1793.

Bradbury. The manor belonged to Thomas Emerson, Esq., of London, Barrister (*vide* Emersons of Co. Surrey for his history and pedigree). This is the same man who was steward to Earl of Somerset, and placed his arms on Market Durham Cross and Kail Cross, Newcastle.

Township: Foxton and Shotton. The other Emersons of Shotton, descended from Ralf Emerson, are fully described and their pedigrees given in Chapter II. No Emerson ever held of the Bishop in Foxton, and none claimed at 1575 Visitation of arms. It is possible the armiger Ralf, of Foxton, was merely living here for a short time when granted arms and so gave his address as Foxton, and that he belonged to a family in a different part of the country. I hardly think the *Shotton* Ralf was the armiger, as he is described as a husbandman in his will and his children are described as yeomen in their wills, and no one appeared at the 1575 Visitation to claim the arms.

John, = 1 Eliz., *ob.* 1642.
of Shotton, 2 Margaret Brown, in 1643, *ob.* 1643.
ob. 1673. 3 Seth. Appleby, in 1643, *ob.* 1644.
4 Eleanor, *ob.* 1682, *vid.*

- Francis, b. 1641.
- John, = b. 1655, *ob.* 1669, of Shotton, Jun.
  - Elinor, b. 1664.
- Barnard, b. 1657, *ob.* 1658.
- James, b. 1659, *ob.* 1697, of Raby.
- Alice, b. 1661.
- Mary, b. 1667.

Emersons of Staindrop.

Muster, 1569. John, of Raby.
Ralph, } Bowmen.
Will, }
Lancelot, }

1473. John of Evenwood.
1494. Geo. ,, ,,
1549. Will. ,, ,,

Peter, = Ann.
of Staindrop,
ob. 1666.

- Mary, b. 1644, *ob.* 1644.
- Robt., b. 1647, of Raby, *ob.* 1684. = Mary.
  - Elina, b. 1683.
- John, b. 1650, *ob.* 1650.
- John, b. 1658, *ob.* 1654.

Will., = Eliz.,
? *ob.* 1648.

- Eliz., b. 1644.
- Will., b. 1644, of Staindrop. = 1 Mary Turner, in 1680, *ob.* 1697.
  2 Margaret Thornbarrow, in 1697.
  - Thom., b. 1681.
  - Eliz., b. 1684.
  - Margt., b. 1687.
  - Will., b. 1690.
  - Kath., b. 1698.

East Murton. In Sedgefield Register we find one Ralf Emerson, of East Murton, and a family of Emmesons of Sedgefield Parish (West Morton) took the name of Morton, viz., Peter Emmeson of Hatfield's Survey. Inq. P.M. Agnes fil Emme fil Rob. de Morton, Ao 20 Hatfield. Inq. P.M. Sibilla fil de Emme, etc., Ao 20 Hatfield. This accounts for the disappearance of some of the family of *Emmesons* given in Hatfield, etc. A few members of the West Murton family survived and migrated to Yorkshire, one Ralf, of Romanby, a yeoman, going out in female issue (*vide* will in Appendix).

Emersons of Stranton Parish.

Stranton. The presentation of this living was in the hands of the Prior of Gisbburn. A family of Emersons appears here in the sixteenth century, and I append a long pedigree compiled from the well-kept register, wills, etc. It will be seen that one vicar, Rev. John Semer, al. 1539—1561, married an Emerson and left lands at Reedmarshall to Francis Emerson, of Brearton (*ob.* 1582).

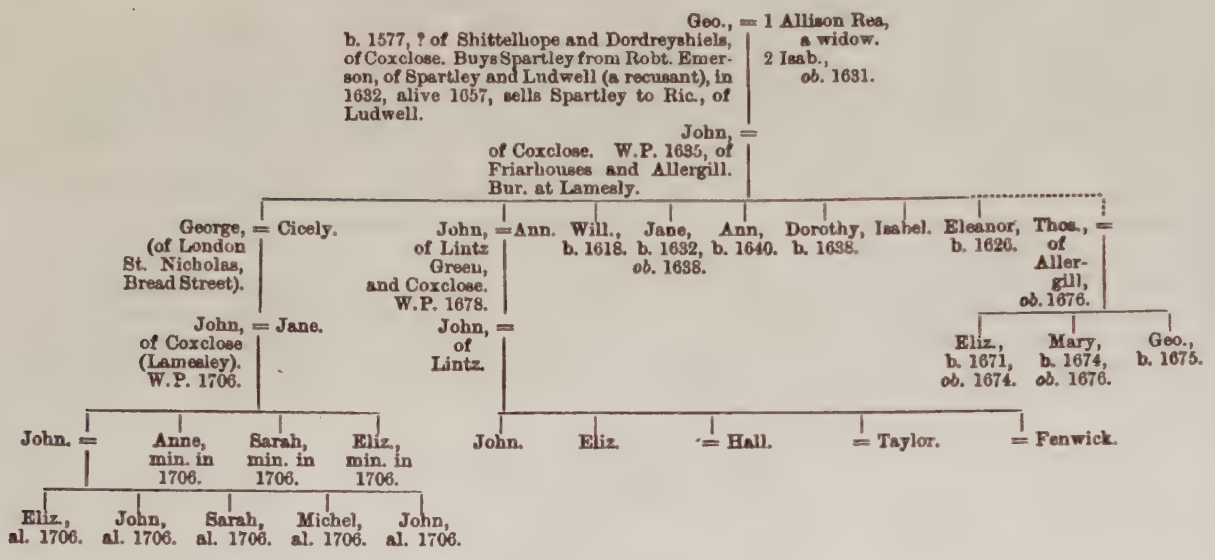
Owton. Some of the above family lived here.

Brearton. Some of the above family lived here. *Vide* also key pedigree. These were descendants of Adam R. Emerson (*q.v.*).

Emersons of Coxclose (Lamesley Chap.) and Lintz Green.

Compiled from Registers, Wills, etc.

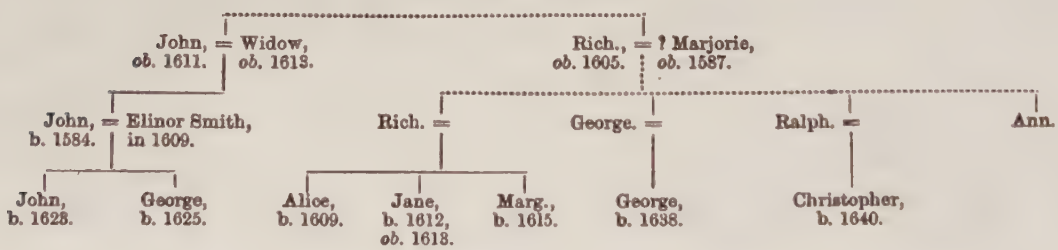
1649 Richard, of Lintz Green, from Hutton Henry, par Hesleden. ?


Geo., b. 1577, ? of Shittelhope and Dordreyshiels, of Coxclose. Buys Spartley from Robt. Emerson, of Spartley and Ludwell (a recusant), in 1632, alive 1657, sells Spartley to Ric., of Ludwell.
= 1 Allison Rea, a widow. 2 Isab., ob. 1631.
John, of Coxclose. W.P. 1635, of Friarhouses and Allergill. Bur. at Lamesly.
George, (of London St. Nicholas, Bread Street).
= Cicely.
John, of Coxclose (Lamesley). W.P. 1706.
= Jane.
John, of Lintz Green, and Coxclose. W.P. 1678.
= Ann.
Will., b. 1618.
Jane, b. 1632, ob. 1638.
Ann, b. 1640.
Dorothy, b. 1638.
Isabel.
Eleanor, b. 1626.
Thos., of Allergill, ob. 1676.
John, of Lintz.
Eliz., b. 1671, ob. 1674.
Mary, b. 1674, ob. 1676.
Geo., b. 1675.
John.
Anne, min. in 1706.
Sarah, min. in 1706.
Eliz., min. in 1706.
Eliz., al. 1706.
John, al. 1706.
Sarah, al. 1706.
Michel, al. 1706.
John, al. 1706.
John.
Eliz.
= Hall.
= Taylor.
= Fenwick.

Emersons of Heighington.

Compiled from Registers and Wills.

1511. William Emerson.
1538. Thomas Emerson.
1617. William Emerson.



Stanhope Parish.

Weardale in this parish is not the cradle of the Emersons as some have thought; indeed, the evidence shows conclusively that the Emersons migrated to Weardale from other parts of the county, and the Weardale family was probably founded by Robert Emeryson. His total properties are not given, but he was in good position, holding Gibbs Close, in Weardale, and South Bedburn Hall, in Wolsingham Parish. His son John held (by Hatfield) a toft and croft (Brussihous) in Weardale, and William the capellanus held a small tenancy. The family came hither from Wolsingham Parish. They at first held small holdings, but as they increased and became High Foresters, Parkers and Bailiffs to the Bishops their holdings became larger and more numerous. They held by military tenure as we have said in a previous chapter, and evidently divided later on into three sets—the chief or High Forester set, the mining families, and the purely agricultural families: the foresters living at Eastgate, Westgate, Northgate and Gate Castle, the four entrances to the park; the miners living about Lynn Rigg and Easter Blackdean, etc.; and the pure farmers at Horsley and Ludwell, etc. Doubtless Weardale forest was a training ground for many of the family who went as foresters elsewhere

in England, for evidence goes to point that the Gloucester, Enfield, Skelton, Hatyfield and Windsor Emersons were originally foresters, and in the case of the Gloucester family we find they came from Weardale, as probably did the others. Members of the family intermarried with the other chief Weardale families, *e.g.*, the Fetherstonehalghs, Marleys, Blackitts, Nevilles, Maddisons and Muschamps, etc., and some doubtless migrated thence, inheriting lands in other parts of the county and possibly in other counties, *e.g.*, the Emersons of Newcastle inherited Marley lands.

Though Stanhope was the chief town of the Weardale, but few Emersons seem to have resided there in early times, though the register (*q.v.*) is full of them. There are more of the name in Weardale to-day, too, than in any other place, some holding the same farms they held 400 years ago. And though Weardale has been for so long the cradle of so many of the family, not a single distinguished and but one very wealthy man—John Emerson, of Newcastle, Lord of Wols. Manor, 1646—of the name has as yet originated *directly* from the dale; the successful men have required other influences and associations, especially the intellectual stimulus of town life of some sort. But though the Weardale Emersons have, like a well-governed country, none but humdrum history to boast of, yet they have produced a long line of sane and healthy beings, who were and are perhaps happier in their peaceful and agricultural life than those who have gone further and grown more distinguished. Moreover, whilst the family has such a nursery it can never die out, as many a family has already done.

EMERSON WEAR-HEAD.
(Co. Durham.)

(Drawing by J. R. Fetherstone. Engraving by Collard.)

We will now give various pedigrees of these Weardale families, compiled from wills, registers and Durham records, including the key pedigree (*q.v.*). The accompanying block is an engraving of a farm in Weardale called Emerson Wear-head, and is taken from Mr. Fetherstone's "Men and Manners in Weardale."

Emersons of Horsley.

As far back as Hatfield's Survey, 1377, Emersons held lands here, *vide* pedigree of the family.

Emersons of Ludwell.

This too is an old family, and contains most of the Foresters, Parkers and Bailiffs who lived at the Eastgate. One of the family migrated to Essex, but returned, *vide* pedigree.

Emersons of Lynn Rygge and Easterblackdene, etc.

This family contained the miners, *vide* pedigree for further details.

Emersons of Brotherlee and Gatecastle.

This family is very old too, and produced some of the forest officers, and William Emerson the Mathematician. For further details *vide* the pedigree.

Emersons of Stanhope.

Compiled from Wills and Registers.

Hugh of Stanhope, Brewer, 1503.

Edw. =

Edw., = late of Stanhope, alive 1502, ? ob. at Houghton, *q.v.*

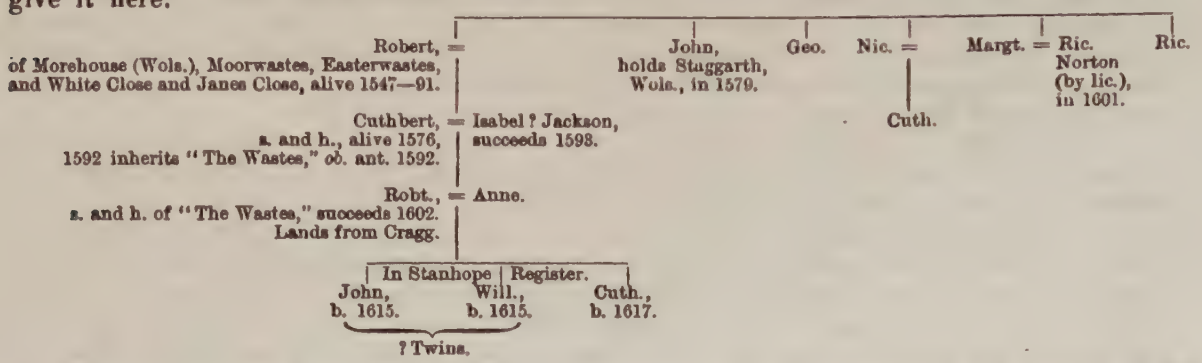
Rob., = Forester, 1502.

Henry, = Forester, 1502.

Edw., = of Weardale, alive 1586. | Jane Wrangham, in 1565.

The above most likely belonged to families in the neighbourhood of Stanhope; the register only gives one W. Emerson of Stanhope, bur. 1621, but since in the wills they are called of Stanhope, I print them here not being able to connect them elsewhere.

For full details of the Rookhope, Pow, Darlington and Wolsingham Emersons, see the key pedigree; but there is one Wolsingham family that I cannot attach to the key, so I give it here.

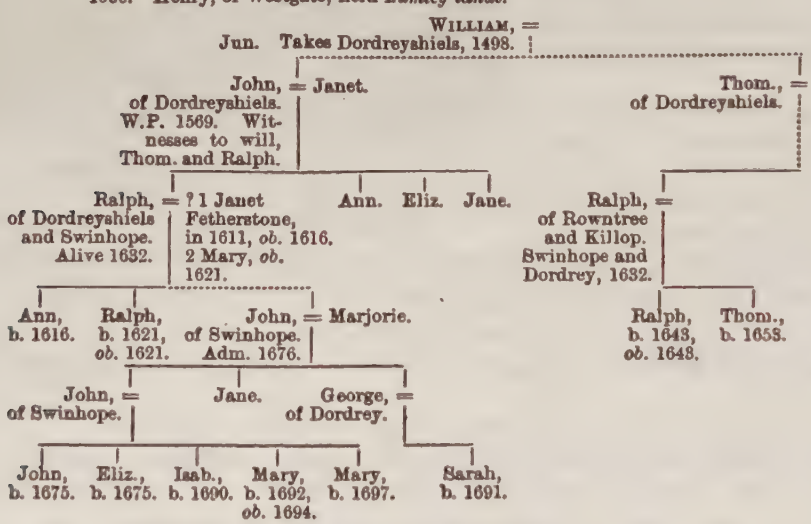

Robert, = of Morehouse (Wols.), Moorwastes, Easterwastes, and White Close and Janes Close, alive 1547—91.
John, holds Staggarth, Wols., in 1579.
Geo.
Nic. = Cuth.
Margt. = Ric. Norton (by lic.), in 1601.
Ric.
Cuthbert, = Isabel ? Jackson, s. and h., alive 1576, succeeds 1593. 1592 inherits "The Wastes," ob. ant. 1592.
Robt., = Anne. s. and h. of "The Wastes," succeeds 1602. Lands from Cragg.
In Stanhope Register.
John, b. 1615.
Will., b. 1615.
Cuth., b. 1617.
? Twins.

The multitude and similarity of Christian names in the wills, registers and records of this parish make the work most complex and puzzling; but though I have endeavoured to be as accurate as possible, errors there must be.

EMERSONS OF WESTGATE, DORDREYSHIELS AND SWINHOPE.

Compiled from Wills, Registers and other records.

1483. Roger, of Westgate, formerly of Sunderland and before that of Middleton.
1511. Nich., of Westgate.
1511. Alex., of Westgate, Gatecastle and Swinhope (1478).
1530. Henry, of Westgate, held *Lumley lands*.


William, = Jun. Takes Dordreyshiels, 1498.
John, = of Dordreyshiels. W.P. 1569. Witnesses to will, Thom. and Ralph.
Janet.
Thom., = of Dordreyshiels.
Ralph, = of Dordreyshiels and Swinhope. Alive 1632.
? 1 Janet Fetherstone, in 1611, ob. 1616. 2 Mary, ob. 1621.
Ann.
Eliz.
Jane.
Ralph, = of Rowntree and Killop. Swinhope and Dordrey, 1632.
Ann, b. 1616.
Ralph, b. 1621, ob. 1621.
John, = of Swinhope. Adm. 1676.
Marjorie.
Ralph, b. 1643, ob. 1648.
Thom., b. 1653.
John, = of Swinhope.
Jane.
George, = of Dordrey.
John, b. 1675.
Eliz., b. 1675.
Isab., b. 1690.
Mary, b. 1692, ob. 1694.
Mary, b. 1697.
Sarah, b. 1691.

Emersons of Houghton.

This family originated in Weardale; one of them, Brian, was disclaimed in 1615, and several of them also owned considerable property in Weardale. Many of them appear in the Recusant Rolls. Brian, of Houghton and of the Eastgate, was probably the father of Arthur Emerson, merchant, of Dublin, who was granted arms in 1692. This conjecture is based upon the Newcastle indentures of apprentices (*q.v.*). For further particulars see pedigree.

Emersons of Barnard Castle.

This family seem to have migrated somewhat late to Barnard Castle, but whether they originated in Co. Durham or Co. York is uncertain. One of them, Arthur, of the Hearth Tax Rolls, was in good circumstances, but beyond this is no history attaching to them that I know of, save that they "increased and multiplied," a good enough work. *Vide* pedigree.

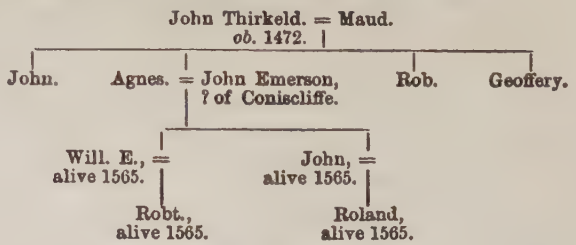
Emersons of Coniscliffe.

We find in the Threkeld pedigree compiled by Mr. Jackson and published in the West-

moreland Arch. Soc. Pubs., a John Emerson marrying a Threkeld, and Surtees gives a note on the same.

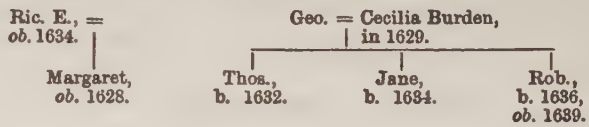
In 1546 Richard Thirkeld (Threkeld), of Coniscliffe, made his will and mentions Agnes Emerson, "my sister's daughter."

In 1472 John Thirkeld and Maud his wife give their lands in Stainton for life to his son, John Thirkeld, and Agnes his sister till she married.



This family may have moved to Brancepeth.

The Coniscliffe Registers allow us to compile the following short pedigrees—



And this meagre information is all we have of the Coniscliffe Emersons.

Hurworth-on-Tees. The birthplace of William Emerson, the celebrated mathematician, a descendant of the Gatecastle Emersons of Weardale, *vide* pedigree. The best life of this genius is that written by Rev. W. Bowe, and printed in "Tracts" by W. Emerson, Nourse, 1798. Mr. Bowe is only unjust as to the great mathematician's religious belief. W. Emerson's view of these matters was purely agnostic. He and his wife were buried at Hurworth. He left no issue. The life of William Emerson in Mr. Leslie Stephen's "Dictionary of National Biography" is as feeble as it is commonplace in style.

Emersons of Brancepeth.

Included in Durham City pedigree (*q.v.*). Ralf, of Brancepeth, was a retainer of the better sort; his son John went as "servant" to Lady Westmoreland, to Co. Norfolk (*q.v.*), and is there lost record of. John Emerson, son of Thomas, of Bradbury (*vide* Southwark Emersons), hired the West Park of Brancepeth, and his father held Staindrop church, but this family is not otherwise connected with Co. Durham. Thomas, of Bradbury, came hither as steward to the Earl of Somerset, of Raby and Brancepeth Castles.

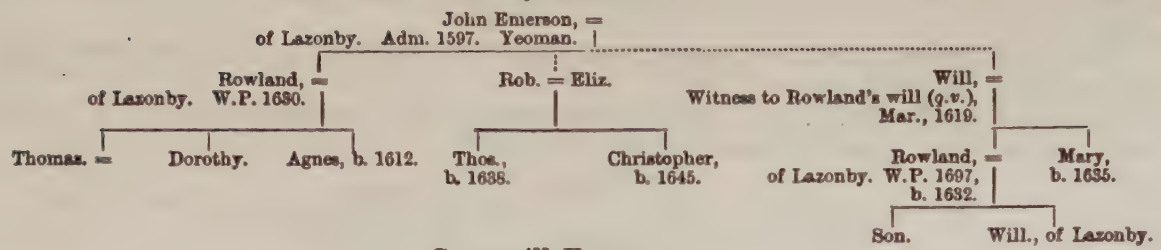
III.

Emersons of Co. Cumberland.

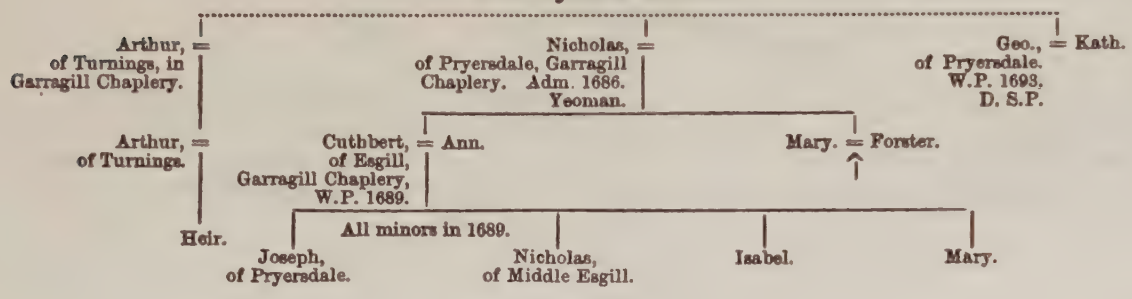
The early Lay Subsidies give us no Emersons, though the subsidy of 6 Ed. III. gives several filii Emme, and some at Lazonby, where we find them in later times in the will of Thomas Ematson, given in the Lazonby Register—Thos. Ematson, s. of Thomas. If anyone will take a map they will find Lazonby is just over the Durham border, and just the weak spot in the Cumberland marches where an overcrowded Weardale family of Emersons would squeeze through; and one John Emerson must have crossed the border in the latter end of the sixteenth century, for we find his administration at Carlisle dated 1597; but up to 1700 there are only three wills, though by the Hearth Tax Rolls for this county we find nine of the name taxed (1673—4) at the latter end of the seventeenth century; and in the Durham wills we find a family settled in Garragill Chapelry in the seventeenth century. There are also several wills of the Workington and Cockermouth families amongst the Richmond wills at Somerset House.

From different sources I have compiled three short pedigrees—one of the sixteenth century family, and two of the seventeenth century families.

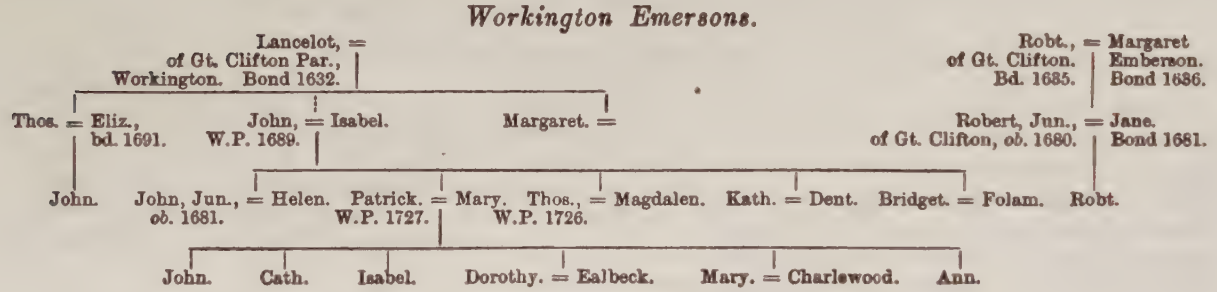
Lazonby Emersons.


John Emerson, = of Lazonby. Adm. 1597. Yeoman.
Rowland, = of Lazonby. W.P. 1630.
Rob. = Eliz.
Will, = Witness to Rowland's will (q.v.), Mar., 1619.
Thomas. =
Dorothy.
Agnes, b. 1612.
Thos., b. 1638.
Christopher, b. 1645.
Rowland, = of Lazonby. W.P. 1697, b. 1632.
Mary, b. 1635.
Son.
Will., of Lazonby.

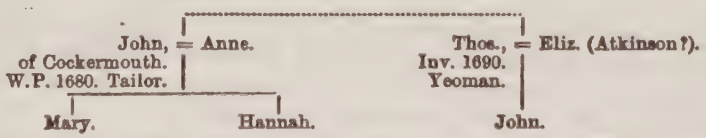
Garragill Emersons.


Arthur, = of Turnings, in Garragill Chaplery.
Nicholas, = of Pryersdale, Garragill Chaplery. Adm. 1686. Yeoman.
Geo., = Kath. of Pryersdale. W.P. 1693. D. S.P.
Arthur, = of Turnings.
Cuthbert, = Ann. of Esgill, Garragill Chaplery, W.P. 1689.
Mary. = Forster.
Heir.
All minors in 1689.
Joseph, of Pryersdale.
Nicholas, of Middle Esgill.
Isabel.
Mary.

Workington Emersons.


Lancelot, = of Gt. Clifton Par., Workington. Bond 1632.
Robt., = Margaret Emberson. of Gt. Clifton. Bd. 1635. Bond 1636.
Thos. = Eliz., bd. 1691.
John, = Isabel. W.P. 1689.
Margaret. =
Robert, Jun., = Jane. of Gt. Clifton, ob. 1680. Bond 1681.
John.
John, Jun., = Helen. ob. 1681.
Patrick. = Mary. W.P. 1727.
Thos., = Magdalen. W.P. 1726.
Kath. = Dent.
Bridget. = Folam.
Robt.
John.
Cath.
Isabel.
Dorothy. = Ealbeck.
Mary. = Charlewood.
Ann.

Cockermouth Emersons.



It is more than likely that all the above are connected, as the Christian names Roland, William, Nicholas and Arthur are found together in contemporary Durham families. And to anyone interested a fuller pedigree could doubtless be compiled without great research, when the names given in the Hearth Tax Rolls and Lazonby Register, that it has not been possible to include in the above pedigree, could be added. My object has been as hitherto merely to trace the roots of the Emersons of Cumberland who were undoubtedly the genuine breed; whilst the wrongly indexed will of Thomas Ematson shows us descendants of the various filii Emme to be found in the Lay Subsidy.

N.B.—Part of Cumberland was formerly under the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Durham.

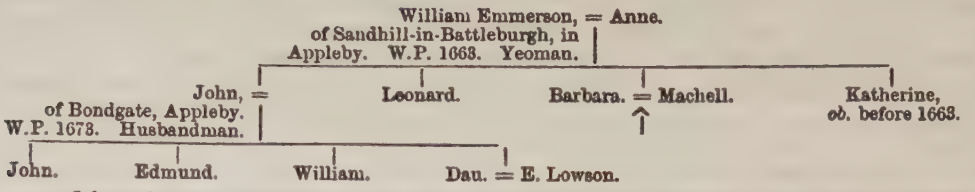
IV.

Emersons of Co. Westmoreland.

Though there are some Emsons in the early Lay Subsidies for Westmoreland, I find no trace of Emersons until the seventeenth century, when Robert Emerson, of Appleby, appears in a chancery suit (22 January, 1642), having bought a mess., tent. and burgage in Appleby of John Winter and Rowland Wilson, who now try to "stripp and defeat" him of the same. In the Appleby Freeman's Rolls* the name of Emerson occurs between 1614 and

* Kindly supplied by the Appleby town clerk to Rev. W. M. Shepheard, who very kindly forwarded the information to me.

1661, after the several Christian names of Charles, William, Robert and Leonard. Charles Emerson is first mentioned in 1614 and dies the same year, and between 1614 and 1634 lived William Emerson, and between 1628 and 1634 lived Robert Emerson. This was doubtless a yeoman family, who migrated into Westmoreland most probably from Cumberland, possibly from Yorkshire or Lancashire. In the Carlisle Registry only two Emerson wills are to be found up to 1700—from which this short pedigree is compiled.



John and Anne, grandchildren of John, W.P. 1673, but whether children of John or William unknown.

Charles was probably the father of William (W.P. 1663) and Robert (Chancery Proceedings 1642). Unfortunately the registers of one church were burnt, and the incumbent of the other church was not able to find any Emersons up to 1640, but he seemed by no means sure of his power of reading the register, so it is possible Emersons are to be found in the St. Michael Register for that period; but the family was not of sufficient importance for me to carry further. There is a good sporting name in the pedigree—Machell, and that is all that is interesting. Finally I have not found the link that binds them to Durham, but they are within all human probability real Emersons from Durham.

V.

Emersons of Co. York.

Large as is this division of England and although it borders Co. Durham I have been unable to trace many Emersons therein and only *one* family whose descendants may be found there to-day, *i.e.*, the Skelton Emersons.

The earliest record I have is of Geoffrey Emerson, who is mentioned in the patent rolls in 1324 for assaulting Alan FitzHugh, of Drypole, for which he had to appear at the courts of *oyer et terminer* at Lincoln and afterwards at Nottingham. He evidently lived near Hull, and it would be interesting could the link with Durham be found. He was possibly named after Geoffrey Neville, of Brancepeth.

In the printed Lay Subsidies for York City and County only—Kirkby's Inquest, 1284—5; Subsidy 25 Ed. I.; Poll Tax Ric. II., 1378—9, and Subsidy 15 Hen. VIII., 1524 (York City and Ansty only)—I find no Emersons.

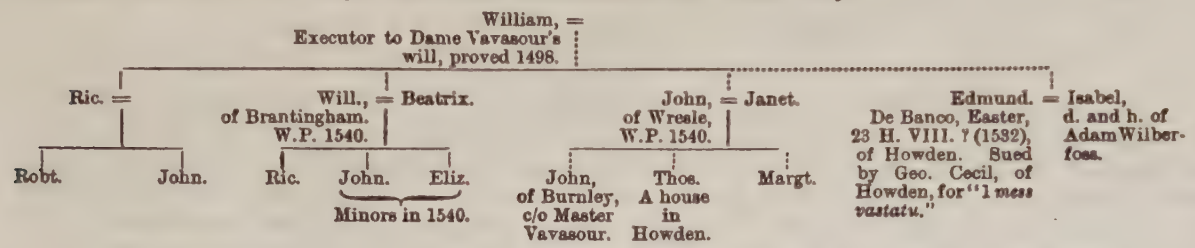
The next earliest record I have is the will of a William Emerson, of Scarborough, proved in 1486—a man of considerable means, who orders his land in Thwyng to be sold for the benefit of his children by one Johanna Wright, their names being withheld; but in Yorkshire* Feet of Fines 8 Hen. VIII. (1517), we find Sir W. Conyers, Simon Emerson and others negotiating a transaction of the manors of *Thwng* and Octon and fifty mess. in Swathorp-Kyllam and Langtoft. At Filey, close by, we find a little later two brothers Edward and John, husbandmen, whose wills, proved 1551 and 1553, tell us that Edward died without issue and John left a son Thomas, whom I lose sight of. It is probable these three were William's children. The Conyers were a Durham family. This doubtless accounts for William Emerson's migration to Yorkshire. The Conyers held Skelton Manor and it is probable that Scarborough and Filey Emersons were descendants of Thomas the forester of Skelton.

Having disposed of this little seaside coterie we will return to the second earliest mention of the name in Dame Elizabeth Vavasor's will, proved 1498, of Thornton-le-Hill, wherein the old lady, widow of William Vavasor, of Thornton, gent., gives Henry and Edward Vavasor and Richard Emerson a horse each, and appoints William Emerson one of her executors. In this connection we will go on with the will of John Emerson, of Wresle (Howden), proved 1540, for in it he mentions Master John Vavisour. We find this John in the Feet of Fines, 1517†

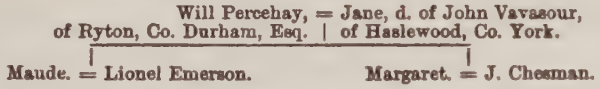
* Yorkshire Arch. and Top. Soc. Records, Vol. II., p. 30.
† Yorkshire Arch. and Top. Soc. Records, Vol. II., p. 307.

—Thos. Abbot *v.* John Emerson and Anne his wife *re* lands in Howden. Now Wresle is in Howden Parish and both Howden and Brantingham were held of the Palatinate of Durham. This little group of Howden Emersons then probably held from the Bishop of Durham, and were evidently pretty well off. In 1532 we find Edward and Isabel Wilberforce, his wife, at Howden. In Yorkshire Fines,* 1576, we find John Emerson again *re* lands in Howden and Westholme, and in this connection are mentioned the Herons, a Durham family, and in De Banco Rolls, 23 Hen. VIII. (1532), we find George Cecil, of Howden, suing Edmund Emerson and Isabel his wife, daughter and heiress of Adam Wilberfoss, for "1 mess. vastatu." in Howden.

I append what Professor Montague Burrows would call an approximate pedigree of the Howden Emersons—the unproved links indicated in the usual way.


William, = Executor to Dame Vavasour's will, proved 1498.
Ric. =
Will., = Beatrix. of Brantingham. W.P. 1540.
John, = Janet. of Wresle, W.P. 1540.
Edmund. = Isabel, d. and h. of Adam Wilberfoss.
De Banco, Easter, 23 H. VIII. (1532), of Howden. Sued by Geo. Cecil, of Howden, for "1 mess vastatu."
Robt.
John.
Ric.
John.
Eliz.
Minors in 1540.
John, of Burnley, c/o Master Vavasour.
Thos. A house in Howden.
Margt.

In Joseph Foster's Visitations of Yorkshire, 1584—5 and 1612, the only mention of Emerson is in the Lyon-Maude Percehay pedigree, where we have the names of Vavasour and Emerson connected.


Will Percehay, = Jane, d. of John Vavasour, of Ryton, Co. Durham, Esq. | of Haslewood, Co. York.
Maude. = Lionel Emerson.
Margaret. = J. Chesman.

In the W.P. 1589 of Ric. Emerson, of Ludwell, we find his brother *Lionel* referred to as being in Rydale, Co. York. Whether these two Lionels are identical I have been unable to prove, and since Mr. Perchehay is described as of Ryton, Co. Durham, the *inference* is they are not the same; at the same time the Lionel that is mentioned in the will refered to is the *only* positive link I have connecting Durham and Yorkshire Emersons.

In Yorkshire Fines,† 1511, we have John Heron, Esq., and George Emerson *re* the manor of Rysome and lands in Hollington (was he the Thomas of Skelton the forester's son?); and in a fine levied 1507 Henry Wyatt, Esq., and George Emerson acquiring lands in Great and Little Fenton, Co. York. H. Wyatt, Esq., was afterwards Sir Henry Wyatt, of Allington Castle, Kent, and probably "Hollington" *supra* is for "Allington." Was Alice, *ux.* George Emerson, sister to H. Wyatt? The only Rysome I can find in Co. York is near Skeffington, which is near Hull, where we found Geoffery Emerson in 1324.

A little group of Amersons next call for attention, the earliest record being the will of Robert Amerson, of Fairburn, proved 1520, leaving two sons, John and Thomas Amerson. A John Amerson's (of Bretherton Close) will is proved 1542, but only his wife is named. Next is a will of Robert Amerson, of Stockton in Bugthorpe, proved 1675, leaving a son Seth and daus. Isabel and Jane, Isabel = an Emerson and has a son Will., and lastly an administration of Robert Amerson in the Honour of Knaresboro, 1700. They are probably all connected, but I have no record of Thomas, son of Robert, of Fairburn, *ob.* 1519, or Seth Amerson, son of Robert, of Stockton. But it is as well to remind the reader that the Coventry Emersons spelt their name Amerson in earlier times, but I found no link binding the families. The Amersons, to judge by wills, were pretty rare in Yorkshire, and evidently connected.

I find an early family at Grimston and at East Cottingwith, but have nothing to suggest their origin or connection; and I suspect William Emerson, of East Cottingwith, should be William Emisson, a breed of the old Holme-in-Spaldingmore Emmesons, Emisons or Emsons, whose name is spelt wrongly as Emerson once or twice in the wills and once or twice in Holme Register.

A Ralf Emerson is found at Northallerton, and his will is proved 1597. He is probably

* Yorkshire Arch. and Top. Soc. Records, Vol. V., p. 108.
† Yorkshire Arch. and Top. Soc. Records, Vol. VII., p. 103.

the same Ralf in the Fines,* 18 Eliz., *re* a mess. with lands in parish of Sigston, and hailed from Sedgefield, Co. Durham; but who the Roger Emerson, of Pickering, is, I know not, mentioned in the same Fines.† Ralf evidently held of the Bishop of Durham and went out in female issue as his will proves.

In 1598 (40 Eliz) we hear of Anthony, *nuper* de Sherburn, in the Session Rolls of York,‡ a husbandman. In Kirk Fenton Register we find the name recurring in 1632, when Anthony, son of Thomas, is baptized, also Thomas, son of Thomas, in 1635.

Two of the sixteenth century Yorkshire families I have left until the present because I think they are connected and because one of them has representatives living to-day—the present occupier of the property being 92 years of age.

In an ancient deed, Vol. II., c. 421, Henry Wyat, Esq., cited above, grants to George Emerson and Alice *ux.* lands in Stratford Longthorn. West Ham, Essex. This George acquired by fine levied Easter. 1507, lands in Great and Little Fenton, Co. York, and in 1511 lands in *Rysome*, Co. York. Now I have been unable to trace the son George of the next early family of Skelton: possibly the above explains his absence from Skelton, possibly another George is referred to. But there is a will of a Thos. Emerson, of (Biggin) Fenton, dated 1658, possibly a descendant of George. He names a brother Henry, wife Jane or Joan and children Thos., Eliz., Anne and Anthony.

At South Burton there is an early family, viz , Robert and John, brothers; Robert (W.P. 1566) = Ellen, who leave issue Ed., Janet = Stevenson, Christopher; but I am not sure whether these be Emersons or Emmesons.

At Grimston aforesaid is William Emerson (W.P. 1533) = Eliz., who leave issue Gregory, child at Huby, Anthony, Margt.

At Turby-on-Humber we have Christopher = Judith (*ob.* 1703), who leave issue Charles (b. 1696), Christopher (b. 1698), Will. (*ob.* 1702), Eliz. (b. 1700).

We now come to the oldest existing Yorkshire family—the Emersons of Skelton in Cleveland. By the will of Thomas Emerson, forester of Margreve Park in Skelton, proved May 4, 1525, we find he holds lands of Gisburne Priory, leaves a wife Agnes and sons Christopher and George (*vide supra*). Margreve Park is in Skelton Parish. Skelton after the Conquest belonged to the Bruces and in 55 Hen. III. it descended by marriage to Walter de Fauconbridge. Sir Thomas Fauconbridge, a descendant, had a daughter Joan, who married Sir W. Neville, Kt., who in 7 Hen. VI. was in her right created Lord Fauconbridge and afterwards Earl of Kent. He died 3 Ed. IV., and it passed by marriage to John Conyers, afterwards Lord Conyers, in whose family it remained until 3 and 4 P. and M. The Emersons doubtless came there with Sir W. Neville, Kt

Gisburne Priory held divers tenements in Stranton Parish, Co. Durham, and the church of Stranton was in the gift of the Prior of Gisburne. This suggests the route by which Thomas the forester may have come. For a Weardale branch of Emersons settled at Stranton in early times, and evidence goes to prove these Stranton Emersons|| were descended from Adam Robinson Emerson, son of Robert Emerson, of South Bedburn Hall, no doubt the same line as Thomas the forester of Skelton.

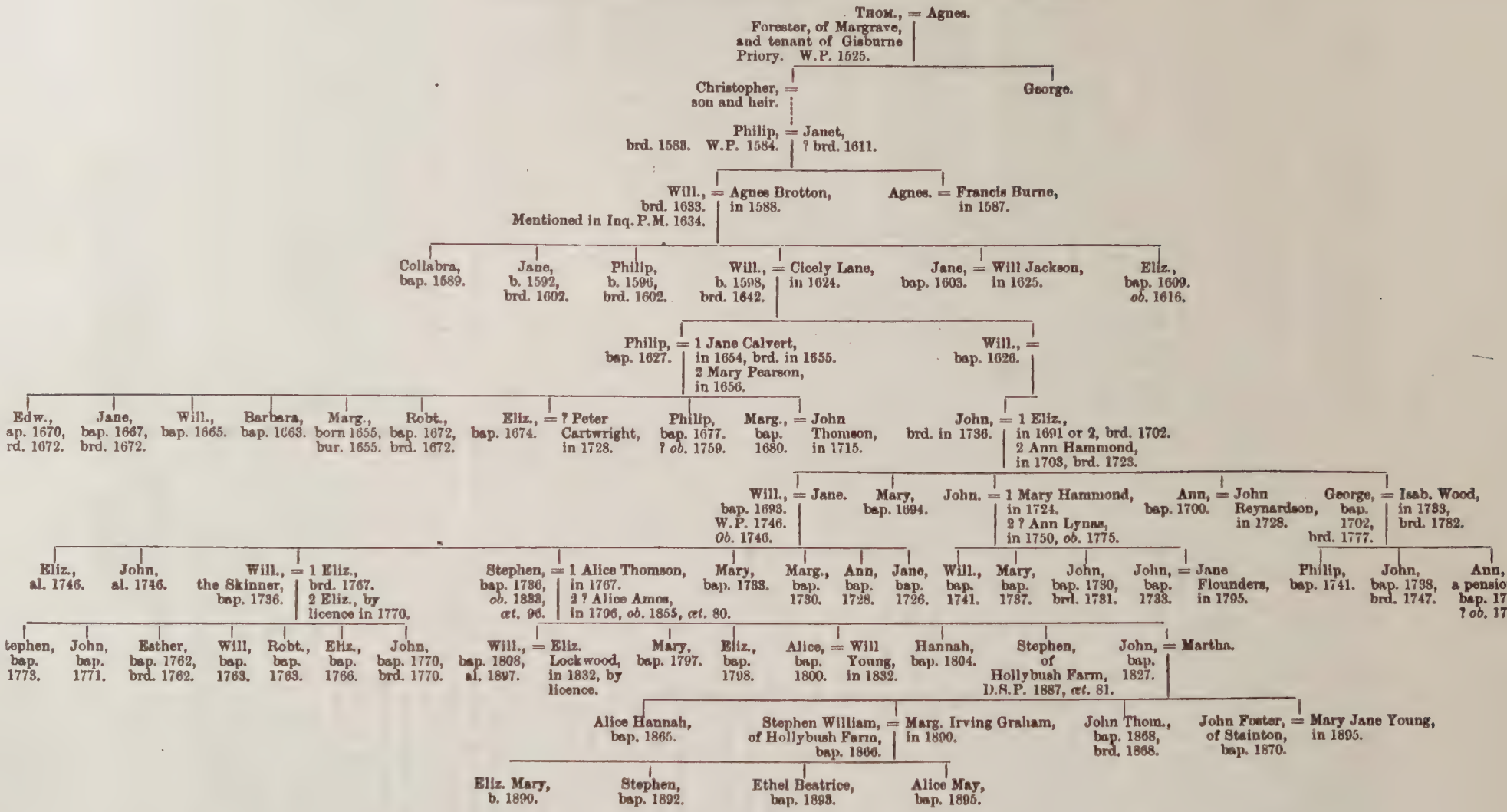
By the help of the Parish Register and wills I have been able to compile a pedigree of the family, but one early link is missing—the link that connects Thomas, the forester, and Phillip, who heads the pedigree—otherwise all goes merrily. Phillip may have been son or grandson of Thomas the forester, more probably son, and not named in the will for some reason—a not uncommon practice in those days, as I have frequently noticed. Now Phillip was a rare Christian name amongst the Emersons in those days. However it is obvious Phillip was descended from Thomas the forester, but I have not the link and have not thought it worth while to search further for it, but doubtless with much work and vexation any future and interested seeker can recover the link

The following is the pedigree compiled up to to-day—a good pedigree it is too, which many families far superior in position to the present representatives might be proud of.

* Yorkshire Arch. and Top. Soc. Records, Vol. VII., pp. 161, 193 and 198.
† Yorkshire Arch. and Top. Soc. Records, Vol. II., p. 24.
‡ Yorkshire Arch. and Top. Soc. Records, Vol. III., p. 123.
|| *Vide* Emersons of Stranton, under Durham.

Emersons of Skelton.

This pedigree is compiled from Skelton Parish Register and three Wills, *vide* Appendix.


Thom., = Agnes.
Forester, of Margrave, and tenant of Gisburne Priory. W.P. 1525.
Christopher, = son and heir.
George.
Philip, = Janet,
brd. 1583. W.P. 1584. ? brd. 1611.
Will., = Agnes Brotton, in 1588.
brd. 1633. Mentioned in Inq. P.M. 1634.
Agnes. = Francis Burne, in 1587.
Collabra, bap. 1589.
Jane, b. 1592, brd. 1602.
Philip, b. 1596, brd. 1602.
Will., = Cicely Lane, in 1624.
b. 1598, brd. 1642.
Jane, = Will Jackson, in 1625.
bap. 1603.
Eliz., bap. 1609. ob. 1616.
Philip, = 1 Jane Calvert, in 1654, brd. in 1655. 2 Mary Pearson, in 1656.
bap. 1627.
Will., =
bap. 1626.
Edw., ap. 1670, rd. 1672.
Jane, bap. 1667, brd. 1672.
Will., bap. 1665.
Barbara, bap. 1663.
Marg., born 1655, bur. 1655.
Robt., bap. 1672, brd. 1672.
Eliz., = ? Peter Cartwright, in 1728.
bap. 1674.
Philip, bap. 1677. ? ob. 1759.
Marg., = John Thomson, in 1715.
bap. 1680.
John, = 1 Eliz., in 1691 or 2, brd. 1702. 2 Ann Hammond, in 1703, brd. 1723.
brd. in 1736.
Will., = Jane.
bap. 1693. W.P. 1746. Ob. 1746.
Mary, bap. 1694.
John. = 1 Mary Hammond, in 1724. 2 ? Ann Lynas, in 1750, ob. 1775.
Ann, = John Reynardson, in 1728.
bap. 1700.
George, = Isab. Wood, in 1733, brd. 1782.
bap. 1702, brd. 1777.
Eliz., al. 1746.
John, al. 1746.
Will., = 1 Eliz., brd. 1767. 2 Eliz., by licence in 1770.
the Skinner, bap. 1736.
Stephen, = 1 Alice Thomson, in 1767. 2 ? Alice Amos, in 1796, ob. 1855, æt. 80.
bap. 1736, ob. 1833, æt. 96.
Mary, bap. 1733.
Marg., bap. 1730.
Ann, bap. 1728.
Jane, bap. 1726.
Will., bap. 1741.
Mary, bap. 1737.
John, bap. 1730, brd. 1731.
John, = Jane Flounders, in 1795.
bap. 1733.
Philip, bap. 1741.
John, bap. 1738, brd. 1747.
Ann, a pension bap. 178 ? ob. 178
tephen, bap. 1773.
John, bap. 1771.
Esther, bap. 1762, brd. 1762.
Will, bap. 1763.
Robt., bap. 1763.
Eliz., bap. 1766.
John, bap. 1770, brd. 1770.
Will., = Eliz. Lockwood, in 1832, by licence.
bap. 1808, æt. 1897.
Mary, bap. 1797.
Eliz., bap. 1798.
Alice, = Will Young, in 1832.
bap. 1800.
Hannah, bap. 1804.
Stephen, of Hollybush Farm, D.S.P. 1887, æt. 81.
John, = Martha.
bap. 1827.
Alice Hannah, bap. 1865.
Stephen William, = Marg. Irving Graham, in 1890.
of Hollybush Farm, bap. 1866.
John Thom., bap. 1868, brd. 1868.
John Foster, = Mary Jane Young, in 1895.
of Stainton, bap. 1870.
Eliz. Mary, b. 1890.
Stephen, bap. 1892.
Ethel Beatrice, bap. 1893.
Alice May, bap. 1895.

There remain only small and scattered families to deal with.

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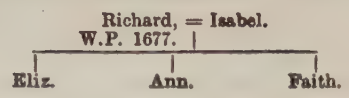

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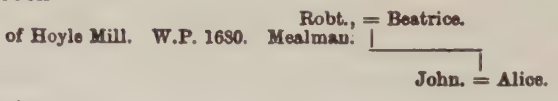

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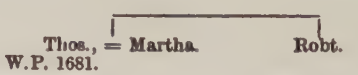

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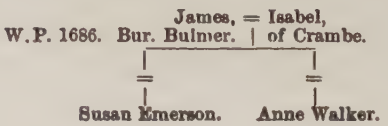

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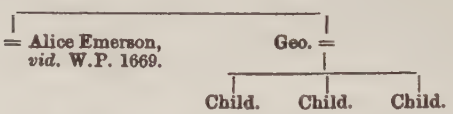
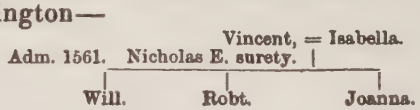


Then we find Nicholas = Margt., of York, Adm. 1613; Robt. = Isabel, d. Anne, of Bursey (near Hull), Adm. 1633; Ric. = Margt., for Ric., s. of Will., Adm. 1603 of S. Cliffe; Robt. = Joanna, s. ? Rob., Adm. 1561, of Crambe; Will., of Crosse Houses (Easington), W.P. 1638, cousin Jane Emerson, of Whitby; Anthony = Ellen, of Redcar, Adm. 1569.

At Bolby Par. Easington—



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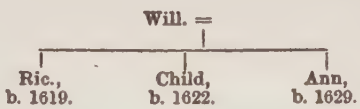

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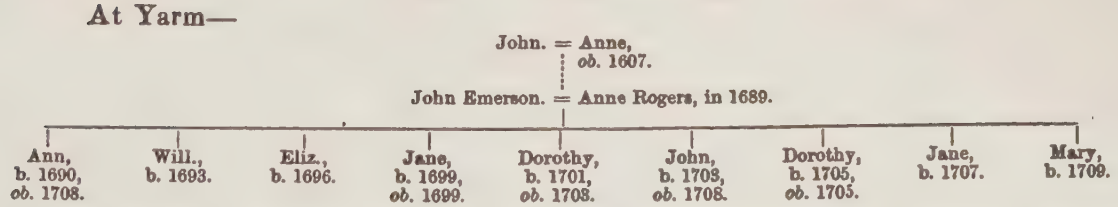

John. = Anne,
ob. 1607.
John Emerson. = Anne Rogers, in 1689.
Ann, b. 1690, ob. 1708.
Will., b. 1693.
Eliz., b. 1696.
Jane, b. 1699, ob. 1699.
Dorothy, b. 1701, ob. 1708.
John, b. 1703, ob. 1708.
Dorothy, b. 1705, ob. 1705.
Jane, b. 1707.
Mary, b. 1709.

John Emerson, of Yarm, was a felon. One of the Stranton, Co. Durham, Emersons, Francis, is described of Yarm in the sixteenth century, probably the founder of this family.

At Eryholme there was a Rev. John Emerson, W.P. 1571, *ob.* S.P., and later John, a tailor, at Gilling (Anne, his mother's W.P. 1682), whilst later still there is another family mentioned at Richmond (Thomas, W.P. 1721, leaving a widow, Margt., and children, Geo., Eliz. and Margt.). All three of these wills are found in the Richmond wills and they are the only Yorkshire wills in that collection.

Amongst the London wills (Principal Registry) of the sixteenth century there is only one Emerson from Yorkshire, *i.e.*, the Rev. Christopher Emerson, of Barton-le-Street, will proved 1657, son of Roger, of Pickering. Now though parsons, widows and orphans are the delight of the "outside broker," to the genealogist they are the devil. You never know whence a parson came, nor can I trace the Rev. Christopher, for he is not in the "'Varsity" lists. However, I have traced his numerous progeny to Hackney, and they can be followed up by

the reader under London Emersons—this link is sure and strong. The reason for the family leaving York seems to have been some act of outlawry, for in Rot. Lit. Pat. 16 Eliz , pt. 1, m. 29, we find a pardon to T. Bawne, late of Co. York, Christopher Emerson, late of Barton, Richard P. Kelke, of Co. Lincoln, yeoman, for failing to appear in Queen's Benches in answer to R. Thornton, who tried to recover a debt.

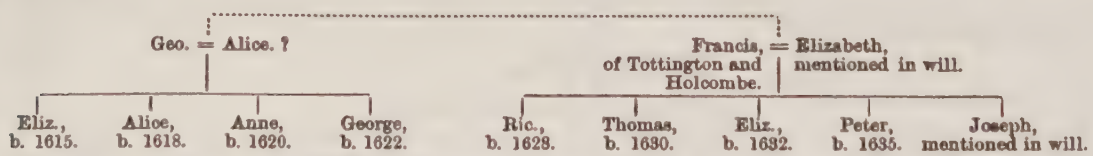
The Yorkshire wills at London and York and the various peculiar courts during the seventeenth century amount to under two dozen and most of them are of men in inferior positions and none really wealthy. Early Yorkshire Emersons for that period are scarcely worth noticing; they are doubtless scattered heirs of the families noticed earlier, excepting perhaps a family at Yarm, which possibly descended from Francis of the Stranton (Co. Durham) family, but I have no link. A stray Leonard Emerson,* of Melsonby, is mentioned in the will of Margery Pinkney, 1650. The Bulmer Register gives the baptism of one Maria in 1633, whilst Stillingfleet Register gives us a William Emerson, who was churchwarden, and has a son Richard, baptized 1622, and some daughters; but, alas! there are few ancient churches in Yorkshire and their registers, like that of Howden, are often reported "burnt" or "lost." Nevertheless the Yorkshire Emersons ancient were of some importance, *teste* the Parliamentary writs for Scarborough, etc., but most of them were yeomen. I find no gentry amongst them and only one who lived to rise to professional station—the Rev. Christopher; but the Thwng, Rysome, Howden and Skelton Emersons are undoubtedly the real breed from Co. Durham, though some of the others called Emerson I have my doubts about, especially W. Emerson, of East Cottingwith, whom I think was an Emisson of Holme-in-Spaldingmore. The Hodgsons witnessed more than one will of that family of Emissons.

Altogether it is not much that I have gathered up from the vast wastes of records of this wild and straggling county, and the greatest curiosity is the burial of four† Emersons in one coffin in 1795. at Drypool, E. Riding—the register giving amongst the burials 1795, Oct. 15, Mary, wife of Wm. Emmerson; Abraham, son of Wm. Emmerson; Isaac, son of Wm. Emmerson; Jacob, son of Wm. Emmerson; all buried in one coffin. Was this affection or economy?

VI.

Emersons of Co. Lancashire.

I can find none of the name in this county until the seventeenth century, when two families appear—one at Bury and one close by at Upper Houlcoats in Tottington. These families were evidently related and their records are to be found in Bury Church Register‡ and one will.



These two, George and Francis, were most likely brothers and as no will remains of George, he may have left the county ere his death. Francis (will proved 1671)‖ was a small miller and yeoman (inventory £2 18s. 4d.), a copyholder of the manor of Tottington, his holdings being named in the will; and since he only mentions Peter and Joseph in his will, it is probable the two elder sons had died before its execution. Whence they came I do not know, but it may be noted there was a *miller*, Robert Emerson, at Hunsworth, Co. York, will proved at York, 1680, and Hunsworth is only across the moors.

In 1672 we find a Hugh Emmerson brought before the Manchester Court Leet concerning "a new measure half a quartern advantage in . . . vi.d."§—possibly one of the family. A

* Salt Arch. Soc., Vol. IX., p. 36. † "The Reliquary," Vol. II., p. 91.

‡ The clergyman of this parish passed my letter on to an illiterate clerk, who demanded such extortionate fees that I had to threaten a law action, and so brought him to reason; but I could not under the circumstances obtain further details from the register, which are doubtless to be had.

‖ *Vide* Appendix.

§ Parker Society, Manchester Court Leets Records, Vol. III., p. 277.

William Emmerson is also beadle about the same period. It is most probable some of the family spread about the county and their descendants may be there to-day, for in Warrington Parish Register, 1754, I find Jonathan Emerson, of Urwicke, marries Catherine Richardson. At any rate, Lancashire Emersons trying to trace their pedigrees will know in what direction to look round. But the only two families I have found up to the end of the seventeenth century are far too unimportant for me to carry further; but I should have cleared up the Bury Register had a courteous man been the parson, and a capable and scrupulous man the clerk. Again I repeat, parish registers should be placed at the Public Record Office.

The future pedigree hunter in search of this family must not forget the Warwickshire Emersons as possible connections, *i.e.*, Oswald Amerson (Emerson) witnesses the will, 1553, of Rev. Molyneux, parson of Sefton, Co. Lancashire. There may be nothing in it, but there may be something.

VII.

Emersons of Co. Cheshire.

A single family in humble circumstances is found at Nantwich in the seventeenth century. Hugh Emmerson, a joiner, of Nantwich, leaves a will proved in 1638, by which he bequeaths his property to his son Richard, who was fourteen years of age at the time the will was made, and if he did not attain his majority the little property went to persons named.

I find there were several families of *Amysons* in Cheshire and about this very district, the name Hugh being common amongst them—indeed there are a number of Amyson wills in the Chester Registry of this period and the testators too were in much the same position as this Hugh Emmerson; and since there is no record in Nantwich Church Register of the birth of any Emmersons or Emmersons after 1615 and up to 1635, I am inclined to think this Hugh Emmerson was a misspelling for Hugh Amyson, the will having been written by some illiterate scribe, and as we hear no more of the family my thesis is strengthened.

VIII.

Emersons of Co. Derby.

I find one will of William Emerson and Felicia his wife granted to Elizabeth Emerson, the daughter, of the parish of All Saints, Derby, dated 26 Mar., 1601, and as they went out in female issue I have no further record; but I wrote to the parson in charge of All Saints, and he proved to be one of the mannerless men—a "coprolite," *verb. sap.*

In Trinity College, Dublin, is the will of Sir Hugh Cullen, of Cloughwater, Co. Cavan, Kt., *ob.* 19 Feb., 1630, who married Mary Emerson, of Derbyshire, and left issue.

IX.

The Emersons and Emotsons als Emersons of Co. Lincoln.

The elucidation of the history of these families has given me great trouble and all because a family of the sons of Emma (Emotsons, said to be of the Thorney Abbey Emotsons) ventured to take a name to which they were not entitled. The Lincolnshire Lay Subsidies give us no help and down to 15 Hen. VIII. (1523) I find no record of the name in the county, though the ubiquitous filii Emme appear in the fourteenth century (1332) and curiously enough with the names Robert and Alexander Emmerson, of Broughton. A family of Emerys we have, some of whom kept the name and some took that of Paull, but never an Emeryson. In the Muster Roll of Henry VIII. (no date), however, I find two Em^{9}sons, William and Richard, able-bodied men, at Billsby; and as in all these cases these early Em^{9}sons must be looked upon with a certain amount of suspicion, for the name may have been a misspelling for *Emson*, but I am inclined to think them genuine Emersons, though it is "not proven."

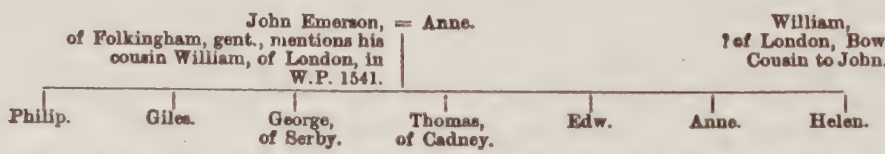
Wills are our next earliest record, and in 1541 was proved the will of John Em^{9}son, of Folkingham, gentleman, who mentions his cousin William in London and various children.

We know that the arms *allowed* to the Lincolnshire Emersons in 1634 are pre-Tudor, *i.e.*, there is no crest belonging to them, and we know that the Southwark Emersons, originating with William Emerson, a bowyer, also claimed and used these arms seventeen years before they were allowed to Alexander, of Caistor, in 1634, *e.g.*, Thomas Emerson, Esq., of Blackfriars,

placed them on the Durham Market Cross in 1617, and remembering the reputation of Lincolnshire archers we can only surmise that William, of London, and John, of Folkingham, were cousins or nephews, for the old testators often designated their nephews as "cousins." For further suggestions on this point the reader must consult the history of the Southwark, Co. Surrey, Emersons. Thus we have three Em^{o}sons in the south of the county in Henry the Eighth's reign, probably all connected.

In Patent Roll 38 Hen. VIII., pt. 5, is recorded a grant to George Emerson of a mess. in the Royal Demesne of Serby, Co. Lincoln, with a close, and 10 bovates of land, all part of the possessions of Sir Robt. Constable, Kt., fallen into the Crown from his attainder, and let to George Emerson for twenty-one years at 60s. per annum and a £3 fine.

Now the point that I have been unable to clear up is this. Was John Em^{o}son (Emerson), of Folkingham, the father of this George, of Serby, or did George come direct from Durham or elsewhere? John, of Folkingham, mentions a George in his will and a Giles, and amongst the descendants of Thomas Emerson related to this family is a Giles. This may be coincidence, but I am inclined to think George, son of John, of Folkingham, gent., and George, of Serby, are identical, but I cannot prove the identity, and thus must leave the question. I have placed John, of Folkingham, at the head of the pedigree, with the usual dotted lines of "not proven," but probable. We find amongst the early wills a Richard Em^{o}son, of Swaby, will proved 1534, and a William *Emmeson*, of Calcethorpe, will proved 1547—possibly the two at Billsby, in the muster, and if so the evidence is again confusing as to their being Emsons or Emersons; but as Richard only leaves a son Robert, whom I do not find afterwards, and William goes out in female issue, no more time need be wasted on them. But the will of Thomas Emerson, of Cadney, proved 1561, evidently refers to the father of Thomas Emerson, of Cadney, yeoman, who in Chancery Proceedings B. and A. Eliz. $\frac{E}{E}$, 10 May, 1568, complains of detention of his deeds relating to lands in Boothby. Now Boothby is again in the south and not far from Folkingham and Billsby, so it looks as if he too had moved north, possibly with George, of Serby, on his good fortune in 1545. But on the other hand George, of Serby, speaks in his will, proved 1567, of his *brother* Phillip, and I can find no trace of a Phillip in Lincolnshire, though it must be remembered Thomas, the forester of Skelton, had a son George and probably a son Phillip. This suggests a Yorkshire origin for George, of Serby, and if he was the son of John, of Folkingham, we know he had two sisters, by John of Folkingham's will, proved 1541. John, of Folkingham, gent., in the will speaks of six children, but mentions only two sons, Giles and George. I have added Edward, of Serby, and Thomas, of Cadney, as the other two likely sons, but wish it to be clearly understood this is "not proven," and I have indicated this by the usual dotted lines of doubt. The pedigree annexed from George, of Serby, Thomas, of Cadney, and Edward, of Serby, is, however, on firm ground, and having said this much we may proceed, neglecting John, of Serby, admon. dated 1553, as we have no record of his issue. So that the doubtful portions are here clearly indicated.



Edward leaves a number of daughters and a son William by his second marriage. Giles is probably the son of Giles, who dies 3 Mar., 1572, and there is no further record. George, of Serby (yeoman), is the forelder of the important family that follows him in the pedigree, and whose lineal descendant Alexander, of Caistor, was *allowed* the arms in 1634, and Thomas, of Cadney (yeoman), is also the forelder of a small family of yeomen, none of whom, however, got *allowed* arms, and their history is shown by the pedigree, and they soon disappear. But George's descendants need further treatment. He had three sons, Edward, Alexander and Richard. Richard was father to numerous daughters and one son, who married his cousin, daughter of Thomas, of Cadney, and is evidently the Richard referred to in Chancery Proceedings B. and A. Eliz. S.s. $\frac{19}{45}$, 1572, as a constable and trustee *re* properties in Goxhill. He was destined to be the least important of the three. Edward, on the other hand, was father to

a family (Alexander and George) of brothers who settled at Glamford Bridge, this Alexander becoming very wealthy indeed, and the lord of several manors, whilst George's issue mostly migrated to East Retford, and founded the unimportant family of East Retford Emersons, who soon appear to have died out. Alexander of Brigg's history is to be read in the records. We find him in Patent Roll 43 Eliz., pt. 19, m. 23, taking the manor of Rainthorpe als Ranthorpe, a mess. and three cottages, 200 acres of land, 30 acres of marsh, 40 acres of pasture, 40 acres of underwood, 40 acres of ling and 40 acres of moor in Ranthorpe and Appulbie, Co. Lincoln, from the Crown-in-chief. In Rot. Lit. Claus., 10 Jas. I., p. 39, m. 44, 1612, we find him and his son Alexander taking half Corisholme Manor to go to Robert, son of Alexander, of Serby, in default of his son. In Rot. Lit. Claus., 11 Jas. I., p. 31, m. 20, we find him and the same son taking half the rectory and advowson of Goxhill Rectory, and in the same records Car. I. E.e. 1/10, we find the unfortunate history of his weak son Alexander, who is inveigled into marriage with Katherine Neville, the daughter of an innkeeper, Christopher Neville, of Lincoln city, and thereby gets disinherited, the bulk of the great properties held by Alexander, senior, of Brigg, going to George's descendants, through the marriage of Alexander, of Caistor, grandson of George, of Serby, with Alexander of Brigg's daughter Elizabeth. And though the wealthy brother seems to have had other sons they probably died in minority or were equally foolish, and so were passed over. The *nouveau riche* Alexander of Brigg dies in 1631 and his will is proved the same year, and in an inquisition, P.M., taken at Lincoln, 7 Chas. I., p. 1, m. 95 (1631), we get a record of his wealth, for an account of which I refer the reader to the inquisition printed in the Appendix. He died very wealthy, though, poor man, possibly with a broken heart, due to his weak son. And these properties passed over to George of Serby's descendants through the marriage, as I have said, of Alexander (George's grandson) with Elizabeth his cousin.

Two of George of Serby's sons go out, George, Jun., in female issue, and Michael *sine prole*. Two more, Thomas, of Cadney and Howsam, and John, are the forelders of yeoman families, John's family dwindling out and Thomas of Cadney's increasing largely, but never rising beyond the position held by their father. Some people have thought Thomas Emerson, of Ipswich, Mass., was this Thomas, of Cadney, or one of his sons, but the pedigree disproves this for good, though one of Thomas of Cadney's descendants, Michael, may have been the Michael who emigrated to Haverhill, United States, *circa* 1656; but if so it must be remembered this branch of the family is non-armigerous: no arms were ever allowed to them.

Richard, another of George's sons, had several sons, yeomen, living about Goxhill, and possibly one of these, Samuel, was an early emigrant to the United States, and if so it must be remembered that this family too was not armigerous, being yeomen and labourers. Robert, however, had issue, two sons, Michael and Alexander, both evidently barristers. Michael went out *sine prole*, and so Alexander, described as of Serby and later of Caistor, was the man who raised the family. He is described as a councellor-at-law, and was evidently able; rich we know he was as heir to Alexander, of Glamford Brigg, whose daughter Elizabeth he married, and prolific and uxorious we shall show he was, for he married thrice. This was the man who had the arms on page 16 allowed him in 1634, and his direct lineal and legitimate descendants only have any right to these arms. We find him in one or two lawsuits *re* parcels of his property, but they are not of sufficient account to notice fully. In S.P. Domestic, Vol. A. 141, p. 70, 19 June, 1650, we find a record of him as having furnished two horses and arms in the siege against Hull, and having helped the King with money. Alexander of Caistor's cousin and wife did not live long (*ob.* 1634), and we find him marrying in the same year Esther Metcalfe, daughter of Sir F. Metcalfe, of Louth Park. She too died, and the plucky and amorous Alexander marries for the third time, Frances Kelke, daughter of Robert Kelke, ar., an old Lincolnshire family, who had held the rectory of Barnetby the Wold for some 200 years, as appears by two Chancery Proceedings E.e. $\frac{13}{30}$, 21 May, 1647, when Sargent and Kelke, who had formerly demised Rectory of Barnetby to Alexander of Caistor, who demised it to Bishop of Lincoln 16 Ap., 1641, for lives of Thomas, Alexander and Dorothy, his children. This shows Alexander probably married F. Kelke before 1641. Alexander registered himself and his descendants at the College of Arms, but no date is given with the registration of the Kelke portion, but the Richmond Herald tells me the signatures

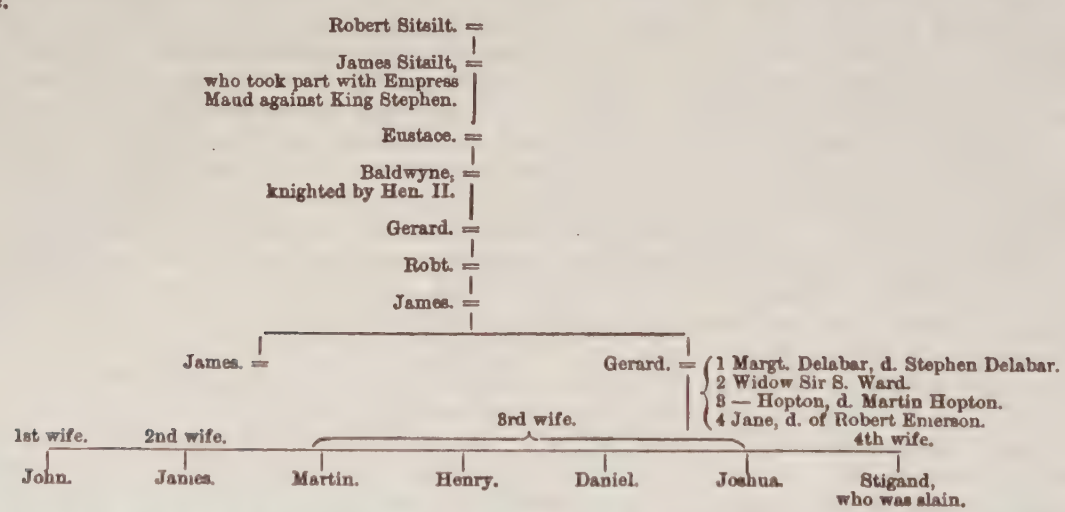
of the Alexanders registering the two are undoubtedly the same, and this may be taken as conclusive.

Alexander, of Caistor, left several children, but none are of note except his son and heir Thomas, of Caistor, who still higher raised the family fortunes by an alliance with Mildred Saunderson, only daughter of George, third Viscount Castleton. His son intermarried with the Whartons of West Retford, Notts, and so inherited West Retford House, Co. Notts, where they are to be found after this date, and in "The Reliquary"* we read that Mr. Alex. Emerson of Redford, died of smallpox 1745. Some of those that remain in Lincolnshire go out in female issue, like Alexander, of Laceby.

The next Retford House family gave birth to Alexander, who married a Bosville, and to Wharton, who took the name of Amcotts, was knighted for parliamentary service, married a sole heiress, and with the usual result, went out in female issue. The Bosville marriage brought Ulverscroft Abbey, Co. Leicester, into the family.

The next Alexander marries a Lyon, and we get Alexander Lyon Emerson, M.D., according to Major-General Emerson, the only man of real talent the family has produced. For further details see the Emersons of Co. Somerset.

From my correspondence I am aware that various Lincolnshire Emersons think they have a claim to arms, but this pedigree will assure them there are but few with claim to the Lincolnshire arms, and I have endeavoured, for the sake of my enquirers, to account for all the descendants of Alexander, of Caistor, granted arms in 1634, but have not in all cases succeeded, so there is a chance for these seekers, but a poor one. On the other hand it must be emphatically stated that there are several people in Lincolnshire bearing the name of Emerson who are not real Emersons at all, but Emotsons, and I shall deal with them presently, but first I may express the opinion that the above family are genuine Emersons, though I have not the link to connect them with Durham. But the following curious matter found in Lansdown MS. 865, folio 165, by Miss Walford, at the British Museum seems to give colour to my view that there were Emersons in Lincolnshire a good deal earlier than 1541, for here the name is written clearly enough Emerson, and here I must leave the matter for experts to decide.



Allowing 30 years for a generation this would bring Stigand as living *circa* 1300, and we must remember that there was a Geoffery Emerysont about this neighbourhood in 1324, probably living near Hull, but who had to appear at Lincoln and Notts at court of *terminer et oyer* for assaulting Fitz-Hugh. It is quite possible this Robert Emerson, if he ever existed, was a relation of this Geoffery, who did exist, or Robert may have been an Emson after all and conjecture is useless. The above pedigree may be quite worthless, and it certainly looks rather "hungry looking" and meagre.

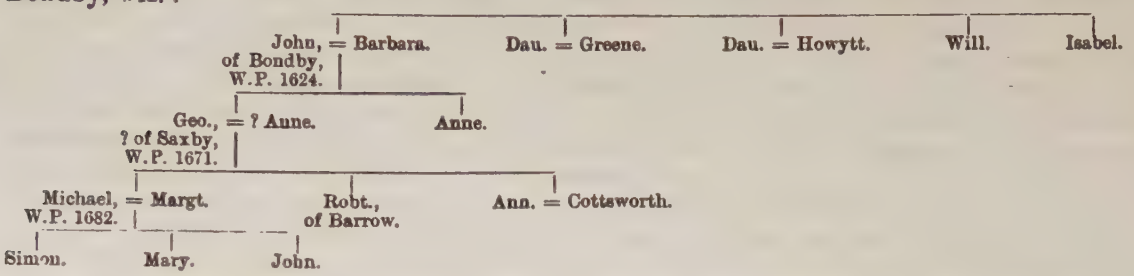
Mr. A. S. Ellis in N. and Q. 2, 7: S. xii. 144, in a note on the Cecils' Yorkshire, not Welsh,

* Vol. XXI., p. 218. † Patent Roll.

origin gives the previously quoted :—De Banco, Easter, 23 H. VIII., 1532. George Cecil, of Howden, sued Edmund Emerson and Isabel his wife, daughter and heiress of Adam Wilberfoss, for "1 mess. vastator" in Howden. Mr. Ellis tells me this is not in the Wilberforce pedigree. Possibly this Edmund is a descendant of the Robert whose daughter Jane is supposed to have married into the Cecil family.

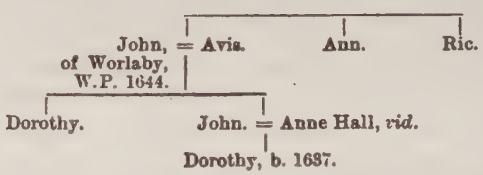
In addition we have the following Emerson families in Co. Lincoln in early times, the majority of them being in lowly circumstances—some of them may be connected with the Serby and Cadney families, but I have not the links.

Beginning, then, in the north of the county we find families at Saxby, Worlaby and Bondby, viz. :—



N.B.—I have no proof of the identity of Geo., of Bondby, and Geo., of Saxby, but think they are identical.

At Worlaby —

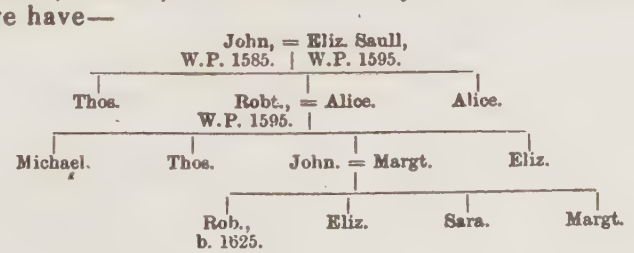


At Bottesford, to the east, is Simon Emerson, who marries Margt. Stocks in 1627 and has sons, Will., Ric. and John. Simon is rare and a Saxby name—probably they are related.

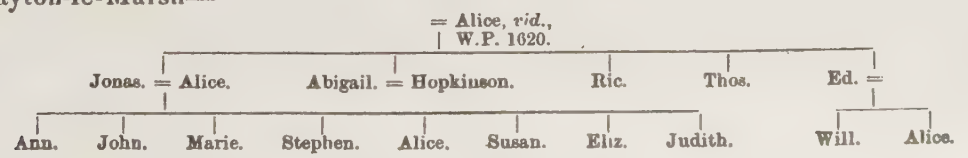
At Wootton and Brockelsbie, neighbouring places, we have two families, viz., at Wootton four brothers, Ric., Sam., Geo. and John, W.P. 1624 = Ursula, leaving issue John and Anne, and at Brockelsbie two brothers, Will., W.P. 1660, and Godfrey = Anne, leaving issue Stephen and Judith; whilst at Cabourn nearby we find two brothers, Will. and John, with six sisters. Will., W.P. 1659, leaves a son Will. and daus. Joan = W. Symons and Mary = Markham.

This brings us to the middle of the county where we find some wealthier families in trade at Atterbie (Bishop's Norton) and the Rasens. Robert, of Atterbie, W.P. 1653, was a wealthy miller, who leaves a half-brother Thomas, and children Robert and Anne: whilst at East and Market Rasen we find three families—two brothers, Will. and Geo. = Jocosa Field, *vid.* in 1603, leaving issue Eliz., Jane, John and a son (name lost); Ed., having two daughters and a son Edw., 1609—22; and John = Ann, Adm. 1615. But I have no links to connect these families. Then moving eastward to the eastern midland coast we come upon another group again in poor circumstances, chiefly small farmers and labourers residing at the Theddlethorpes, Trusthorpe, Gayton-le-Marsh, Sutton, Hutoft and Swaby.

At Theddlethorpe we have—

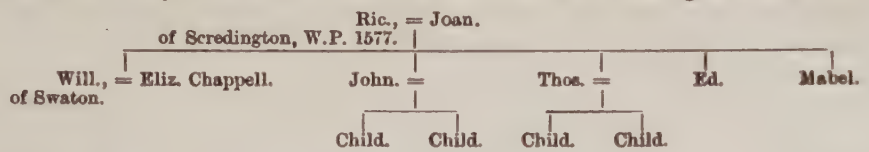


At Gayton-le-Marsh—

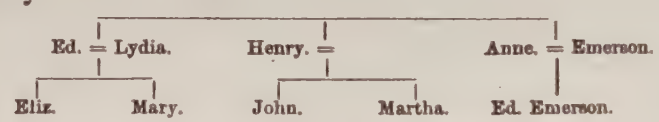


And a Mary, *vidua*, W.P. 1667, leaving children Thos., Dorothy, Ed., Alice, Will. and Jonas, and a grandchild Edw. whom I cannot link on, and a Geo. = Eliz., leaving issue Jonas, Martha, Hester and George, who are also "loose" branches. At Trusthorpe I get John, W.P. 1588, = Alice Johnson, and at Mablethorpe, Robt., W.P. 1600, leaving a widow Joan and a son Thos. and a sister who marries a Maddison, and at Swaby to the south-west a Richard, W.P. 1534, leaving issue Robt., Eliz., Janet and Agnes, and lastly at Sutton we find Thos., W.P. 1697, leaving a dau. Ann and a brother Nathaniel and sister Elizabeth.

Going southward to Burgh we find another group, possibly once Emotsons and descendants of Emotsons als. Emersons spoken of below. We find Ed., of Burgh, W.P. 1651, and his children Thos., Ann and Mary; and Alice, *vid.*, of Firsby (near by), W.P. 1593, with two daughters and a son Seal, who has a son Thomas; and Ann, of Addlethorpe, *vid.*, W.P. 1617, leaving a sister Frances. Working south we find a family at Algakirk, near Boston—a well-to-do man Isaac, W.P. 1630, leaving Ellen, *vid.*, and brothers Thos. and Will., Thos. having two sons, Thos. and John, and Will. a son Thomas Working towards Folkingham, the cradle of the family in this county, we find families at Swaton and Scredington, but of no importance.



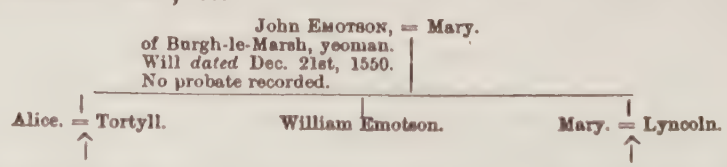
Whilst at Tydd St. Mary on the borders of Norfolk we find—



There are various other isolated and scattered records, proving that other families existed, but no details of any value—except perhaps an Enos, of Scotter, W.P. 1699, who leaves a son Enos and two daughters. There are also stray families about Wraby and Serby, who evidently belong to *the* Lincolnshire Emersons, but I am unable to connect them. Such are some of the Goxhill and Cadney families, as Ric., of Cadney, W.P. 1578, who leaves two sons, Ed. and Ric., and five daughters; Will., of Cadney, who leaves sons Edward and Will. and daughters; Thos., of Cadney, who has a large family born between 1614 and 1629, viz., sons, John, Ed., Thos., Michael and Rob., and four daughters; and the Goxhill Emersons, *q v.*

And now we come to the spurious Emersons or Emotsons who took the name of Emerson.

At the Principal Registry in London we have the will of John Emotson (11 Bucke), dated Dec. 21, 1550, of Burgh-le-Marsh, enumerating various places round about. Evidently this man was a leaseholder under one Mr. Eton, and is John Emotson of the Muster Roll, *tempe* Hen. VIII., of Burghe. Next in 25 Eliz. (1583) we have an Inq. P.M. *re* John Emotson als Emerson, of Gunby, near Burgh, yeoman, who held lands at Gunby, Gt. Steeping, Bratoft, Wainfleet, all places near Burgh-le-Marsh, evidently a descendant of the John Emotson of Burgh whose will is dated 1550, *i.e.*



It will be noticed that William is the only son mentioned, and he is described as the heir. But curiously enough the Inq. P.M. referred to gives us John Emotson als Emerson near the same place. Now there is no date of John Emotson of Burgh's proof of will. Possibly he is the man who died *circa* 1583; but the Inq. P.M. says Thomas is his son and heir, whereas William was son and heir of John of Burgh. I should say that William had died and John, of Gunby, was a younger brother, but in any case we get the following pedigree from the Inq. P.M.:—

John Emotson als. Emerson, of Gunby (near Burgh), yeoman, *ob.* June 5th, 1583. Inq. P.M. = Mary.

Michael Emotson.

Thomas Emotson als. Emerson, *gent.*, b. 1582, *ob.* May 19th, 1618, of Gunby. Inq. P.M. =

William Emotson als. Emerson, gent., b. 1610. Inq. P.M. =

The inquisitions prove all this, but the exact links between *John* Emotson, *of Burgh*, and John Emotson als Emerson, of Gunby (near by), I have not found, nor do I particularly require it. I give this to show a family in the act of taking the name Emerson—Emotsons or true-blooded sons of Emma, and obviously all connected. Now if the reader will turn to the abstract of inquisition of John, of Gunby,* he will see lands referred to all round Gunby and Burgh. The reader, however, must remember that in the Lay Subsidy 14 Hen. VIII., there were two, Ric. Em^{9}son and Will Em^{9}son, at Billsby, close to Burgh, so there may be genuine Emersons and spurious Emersons in that district to-day, descendants of the above; and only persons working out their own pedigree will be able to tell from which they spring. But my object has been to prove that a family of Emotsons (fil Emme) took the name of Emmerson, and I have been informed that their descendants describe themselves as Thorney Abbey Emersons. As I have shown in the chapter on Cambridgeshire no such Emersons ever existed, but a humble family of Emotsons did live at Thorney, and their history I have given under Cambridgeshire. A descendant of the real Emersons, of Serby, married one of these Emotsons als Emersons, so Major-General A. L. Emerson informs me, *vide* registers app.

And here I must part company with the real Emersons who at various periods have owned so much property in Lincolnshire, and been connected with so many good Lincolnshire families, hoping that another Alexander will arise and conquer new worlds for the family fallen from its old estate; and as for the spurious Emersons, may they speedily waste and become extinct.

And finally there is a family of Emmisons in Lincolnshire who claim descent from the Emotsons, of Thorney Abbey, and it is quite possible they can substantiate this claim, and I trust Dr. B. F. Emmison will work the matter out. But I have not included them in this work because they are not Emersons. They are undoubted filii Emme, brothers and sisters of the Emsons, Empsons, Emotsons, Ematsons, Emetsons, Emansons, Emisons and Emysons, scattered over the kingdom, which makes the following most ridiculous.

One member of this family, a Colonel Emmison, of Seaham Harbour, was using and is still probably using Ralf Emerson's, of Foxton, Co. Durham, arms (the crest being incorrect), together with Sir James Emerson-Tennent's registered motto, and a Mrs. Emmison, of Gonnerby, claimed the same arms.

Dr. B. F. Emmison, who is as modest as he is fully informed concerning this family, can only express pity for such puerile vanity, and personally I can only express contempt for such arrant snobbishness. These Emmisons might as well use any coat of arms in existence. They have an equal right to them all, which is no right. Nor am I aware that any Emmison ever had coat armour granted him.

X.

Emersons of Co. Nottingham.

The Subsidy Rolls down to 14 Hen. VIII. (1523) give none of the name, though the sons of Emma flourished there, and the first record I have is of the migration of Alexander Emerson from Glamford Brigg, Lincolnshire, who settled at East Retford, *circa* 1600. They do not appear (*vide* Lincolnshire pedigree) to have left many, if any, descendants.

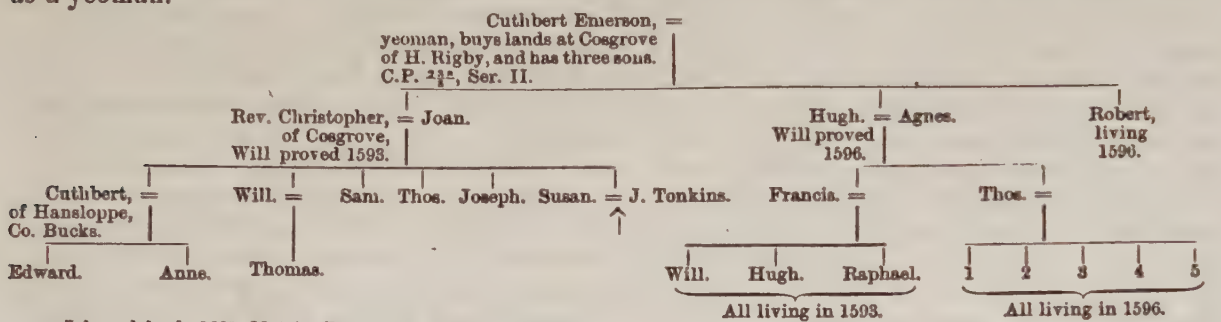
Later on a wealthier branch of the same family married into the Wharton family and migrated to West Retford, owning West Retford House, which they subsequently sold and left the county. As all the history of this family and pedigree is given under the Lincolnshire Emersons there is no need to repeat it here, for I have traced no Emersons but these to this county down to 1700.

* *Vide* Appendix, Inq. P.M.

XI.

Emersons of Co. Northampton.

As usual the Lay Subsidies give us fil Emme and Embertons in the county, but no Emersons, even in the subsidy of 14 Hen. VIII. Nor are any to be found in the Muster Rolls of Hen. VIII. We may then fairly conclude that one Cuthbert who appears soon after this date and settled at Cosgrove, having bought lands of Henry Rigbie, was the first immigrant into this county. The Chancery Proceedings* give us a little pedigree of this family—all complete. Cuthbert would appear from this to have been the first Emerson settled in Co. Northampton, and Cuthbert is a favourite Durham Christian name. We find too that Cuthbert's grandson, also a Cuthbert, has moved to Hansloppe, Co. Bucks, and is described as a yeoman.



John, pleb., b. 1581, Matric. Brasenose, 1598, B.A. 1600.

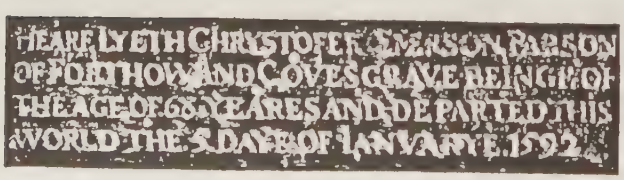
Joseph Emerson, a millwright of Northampton, will proved 1686, leaves Benjamin and Elizabeth, but I cannot identify this Joseph with the above and he may have been one of the sons of Thomas, who is mentioned as having had five children in Hugh's will, 1596; therefore this is not Thomas, of Ipswich, as once seemed to me probable. He had a son Will., b. 1634.

Next Robert Emerson, yeoman, of Cosgrove and Forthow, makes his appearance in the Close Rolls,† 9 Eliz., 1567, in an indenture, wherein he grants "½ three mess., lands, etc., in Cosgrove, Potters Perry and Furtho, Co. Northampton, to one Freeman, a merchant, he having bought these lands of Fernando Pulton for £50."

Contemporary with him must have been the Rev. Christopher Emerson, "parson and rector" of Covesgrove. The Church of Cosgrove was originally in the gift of the Prior and Knights Hospitallers of St. John, who held land here. At the dissolution the Rev. Thomas Todd holds the living 1549, Regina Patron, and is succeeded by Christopher Emerson, who reigns until 1564, when one Rev. Bradshaw succeeds. Christopher Emerson‡ also holds Furtho in 1561.

In the Northampton Registry are only two wills of this family and in London none, nor have I been able to gather much information elsewhere concerning this family, though the Rev. Hewson, the present incumbent at Cosgrove, has been most kind in giving me information and searching tombstones and other matter; for the early registers appear to be lost (before 1663), though Mr. Bridges said the Cosgrove Registers began in 1558. Mr. Hewson found the following on an old gravestone, but unfortunately was unable to decipher the *date*. The stone is in Covesgrove churchyard.

Thomas Emerson
Died Oct. 4 . . . .
Aged 81
He lived long an inoffensive life,
A Christian strong without un-Christian strife.


HEARE LYETH CHRISTOFER EMERSON PARSON
OF FORTHOW AND COVESGRAVE BEINGE OF
THE AGE OF 68 YEARES AND DEPARTED THIS
WORLD THE 5 DAYE OF IANVARYE 1592

Mr. Hewson kindly took a rubbing of the brass on Christopher Emerson's tomb, a reproduction being given herewith.

I cannot find that Christopher Emerson was ever at the University, and Professor M. G. Gwatkin, of Cambridge, kindly searched various records to see if he could

* Chan. Pro. B. and A. Ser. II., 238 (1587—1596).

† Rot. Lit. Claus., 9 Eliz., pt. 22.

‡ "Monast. Angliæ," Vol. II., p. 982.

trace him at College, but could not. However, I find a John Emerson,* of Northampton, pleb., Brasenose College, matric. 24 Nov., 1598, aged 17, B.A. from St. Edmund's Hall in July, 1600. And Mr. Hewson tells me there are deeds existing with reference to the lands of a John Emerson, of this period. There was a John Emerson, M.A., curate of Horsham and rector of Shoreham in Sussex in 1634; whether these are one and the same I know not. But I find nothing whereby I can trace whence this family came into Northamptonshire and conjecture is useless. Christopher is a good Durham name and that is all that can be said, except that it was perpetuated in the family after the death of the Rev. Christopher, for in Close Roll, 22 Jas. I., 1 25, I find Christopher Emerson, of Cosgrove, Co. Northampton, yeoman, acknowledging a debt of £40 to one of the masters of the Court of Chancery.

XII.

Emersons of Co. Warwick.

In the various Lay Subsidies we have the usual fil Emme, Emotson and Emson, but no Amerson or Emerson, or anything like it, not even in the subsidy of 14 Hen. VIII., 1523. And there is no Muster Roll for Warwick *tempe* Hen. VIII. Nor does the Coventry Muster Roll *tempe* Henry VIII. help us—none of the name appear; but wills come to the rescue, and the earliest of the name is a parson, *i.e.*, Rev. William Amerson, rector of Solihull (Birmingham) and curate of Foleshill in the city of Coventry, where he evidently died, the inventory of his goods being dated 36 Hen. VIII. or 1545. Whence he came I know not, and since his name is spelt Amerson and his brother's Amorson, it must be looked upon with a certain amount of suspicion, though it is probably a broad spelling of Emerson, and as the later members of the family spell the name Emerson this is more than probable. Probably the family moved into Warwickshire with the parson, and it must be remembered there were Amersons in *Yorkshire* about this period, but I have no link binding the family to any county. It is evident, however, they were pretty well to do, a probable member of the family goes to Oxford, others are chandlers and merchants, and we know by Foster's "Alumni Oxoniensis" that another goes to Oxford, and may have been the man who afterwards became canon of Chichester, 1610, or rector of Wisbeach, 1615.

Next we have an Oswald Emerson witnessing the will of Anthony Molyneux,† parson of Sefton, in Co. Lanc., in 1553.

There is a will of a Paul Amorson ‡ (1566—75), querister of New College, Oxon, who mentions his brother John. A Paul is missing, *i.e.*, brother to Rev. William, and this is probably the man.

Wills then carry us on to 1598, when we find Oswell (Oswald Emerson) and Margaret Emerson engaged in a Chancery suit (Ch. B. and A. Eliz. B.b. $\frac{22}{38}$) *re* property in Coventry. Margaret is said to be a "widow and very aged."

In Foster's "Alumni Oxoniensis" we find Thomas Emerson, of Co. Warwick, pleb., matriculated at Queen's Coll., Oxford, 1586, *æt.* 16, and graduated B.A., 1590, M.A. 1595.

We find in Stepney Register John Emerson, of Coventry, merchant, father of a child baptized in 1615—16.

Next we get the family in Rot. Lit. Claus, 9 Jas. I., p. 45, n. 141, 10 May: John Pywell, par. of St. Peter, Cornhill, London, salter, and Oswald Emerson, of Coventry, in the courts of the city of Coventry, chandler, acknowledge a debt of £100 to Ed. Phillips, Kt., master of the rolls.

The registers of St. Michael's were destroyed by fire in 1698, and as the Lichfield transcripts only begin in 1660, that source of information is cut off, and as the majority of these testators were buried at St. Michael's we may assume their records of baptisms and marriages were lodged there. The Trinity Register of baptisms between 1615 and 1635 only contains one name—Kath., a daughter of Oswald, bap. Oct. 1, 1617.

* "Alumni Oxoniensis," J. Foster.
† Chetham Soc., Lanc. and Ches. Wills, Vol. II., p. 246.
‡ Principal Registry.

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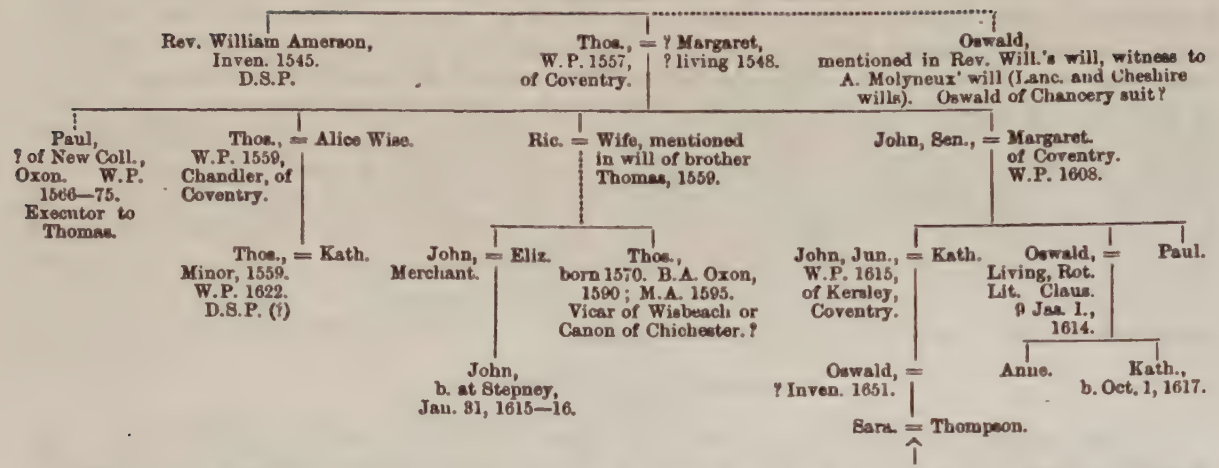

Rev. William Amerson, Inven. 1545. D.S.P.
Thos., W.P. 1557, of Coventry.
? Margaret, ? living 1548.
Oswald, mentioned in Rev. Will.'s will, witness to A. Molyneux' will (Lanc. and Cheshire wills). Oswald of Chancery suit?
Paul, ? of New Coll., Oxon. W.P. 1566—75. Executor to Thomas.
Thos., W.P. 1559, Chandler, of Coventry.
Alice Wise.
Ric.
Wife, mentioned in will of brother Thomas, 1559.
John, Sen., Margaret. of Coventry. W.P. 1608.
Thos., Minor, 1559. W.P. 1622. D.S.P. (?)
Kath.
John, Merchant.
Eliz.
Thos., born 1570. B.A. Oxon, 1590; M.A. 1595. Vicar of Wisbeach or Canon of Chichester.?
John, b. at Stepney, Jan. 31, 1615—16.
John, Jun., W.P. 1615, of Kersley, Coventry.
Kath.
Oswald, Living, Rot. Lit. Claus. 9 Jas. I., 1614.
Paul.
Oswald, ? Inven. 1651.
Anne.
Kath., b. Oct. 1, 1617.
Sara.
Thompson.

The above pedigree is only approximate, as records are so incomplete. Whether Paul was son of Thomas and whether he is Paul of New College is not proven. Whether John and Thomas are sons of Richard is unproven, and which Oswald dies in 1651 and leaves all his property to Sara is not proven; but I have indicated the non-proven links in the usual way with the dotted lines of caution, otherwise it is pretty firm, and as we get no wills after 1651 up to 1700 we may fairly conclude not many male members lived at Coventry during that period.

The chief interest concerning this family is their possible connection with the Emersons alˢ Skakespeyer, testator, of Hathurn, Co. Leicester, concerning whom *vide* Leicestershire.

XIII.

Emersons of Co. Leicester.

The Lay Subsidies down to and including 14 Hen. VIII. give none of the name; nevertheless in 1516 we get at Leicester Registry the will of Robert Skakespeyer alˢ Emerson, of Hathurn.

Before leaving this very curious will I will just record that John Mowbray, Duke of Norfolk, married Katherine Nevill, daughter of Ralf, Earl of Westmoreland, and he died in 1433, when she had Goscote Manor assigned to her as widow, after which she married Thomas Strangways (a Durham family). Rot. Lit. Claus., 11 Henry VI., No. 13,* Mr. Nichol's History contains no Emersons in the index, nor have we any record of any, this curious will excepted (*vide* will printed *in extenso* in Appendix).

Now it will be noticed in this will that Sir Edward Fisher and Mary Brown are witnesses. On turning to Dugdale's "History of Warwickshire," Vol. II., p. 354, we find Fishers, but not a contemporary Edward, though Thos. Hankins alˢ Fisher, of Warwick, *ob.* 1576, left a son Edward, knighted 36 Eliz. Possibly the Edward Fisher who witnessed the will, however, was a relative. On page 90 we find Brownes of Warwickshire referred to—Edward Browne, *æt.* 22, 37 Hen. VIII. The question arises, was this Robert Emerson alˢ Shakespeare the progenitor (grandfather) of the immortal William Shakespeare? It is more than possible and I will leave some Shakespeare scholar to clear the matter up.

XIV.

Emersons of Co. Huntingdonshire.

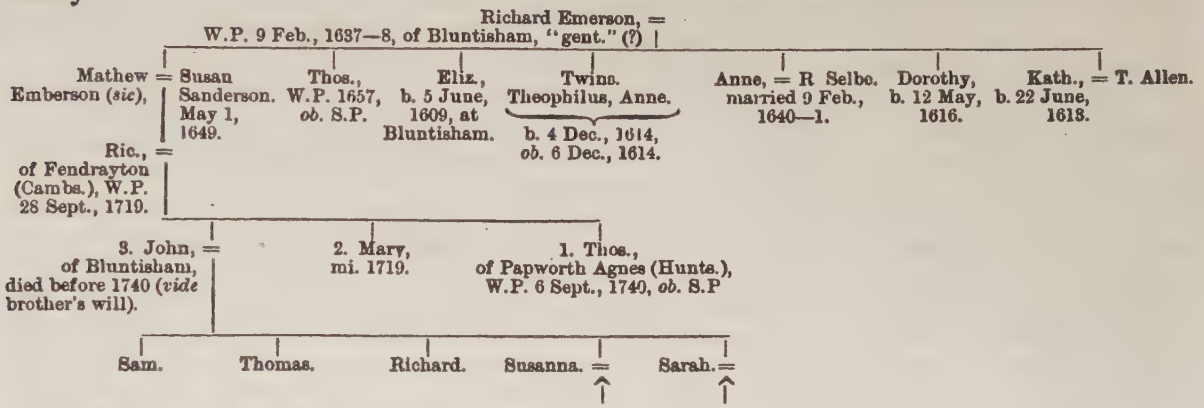
The early Lay Subsidy returns give us no Emsons or Emersons, but in the subsidy $\frac{1}{10}\frac{2}{5}\frac{3}{5}$ 15—16 Hen. VIII., we get at Papworth Agnes, Johes. Enderson, in *bonis* xx.s. viii.d. Now this Enderson may be a misspelling for *Emberson* or *Emerson*, and again, on the other hand, it may be a misspelling for Henderson. But as we find no Emersons at Papworth Agnes

* Nichol's "History of Leicestershire," 1795, Vol. II., p. 138.

until 1740, when there is the will* of Thomas Emerson, proved 16 Sept., 1740, whose brother is one of the Bluntisham Emersons or Embersons, we may, I think, fairly conclude that the above, if an Emerson, which is most unlikely, left no progeny.

The earliest record of an undoubted Emerson that I possess is that of Richard, of Bluntisham. It is obvious Richard, of Bluntisham, came from elsewhere, for the births of his early children are not in the Bluntisham Church Registers, which begin punctually in 1538. The first appearance of this family at Bluntisham is in 1609, when the birth of a child of Richard Emerson is recorded. In the eighteenth century we get some of this family migrating to Cambridgeshire, *i.e.*, Richard, of Fendrayton, W.P. 1719, and in the same county we get Thomas, of Papworth Agnes, W.P. 1740. The first of the family was evidently a substantial yeoman in a sufficiently good position to be described as "gent." by the flattering writer of his will; but no proof of his gentility is to hand or any suggestion of it. His origin I know not.

From wills and the register I have been able to compile this short pedigree of the family.


Richard Emerson, =
W.P. 9 Feb., 1637—8, of Bluntisham, "gent." (?)
Mathew = Susan Sanderson. May 1, 1649.
Emberson (sic),
Thos., W.P. 1657, ob. S.P.
Eliz., b. 5 June, 1609, at Bluntisham.
Twins. Theophilus, Anne. b. 4 Dec., 1614, ob. 6 Dec., 1614.
Anne, = R Selbe. married 9 Feb., 1640—1.
Dorothy, b. 12 May, 1616.
Kath., = T. Allen. b. 22 June, 1618.
Ric., =
of Fendrayton (Cambs.), W.P. 28 Sept., 1719.
3. John, =
of Bluntisham, died before 1740 (vide brother's will).
2. Mary, mi. 1719.
1. Thos., of Papworth Agnes (Hunts.), W.P. 6 Sept., 1740, ob. S.P
Sam.
Thomas.
Richard.
Susanna. =
Sarah. =

Miss Rumpf, the Rector of Bluntisham's daughter, kindly tells me that a Miss Emberson was living at Bluntisham within her memory, and it will be noticed in the register extracts that Matthew's name is spelt Emberson, a variant of Emerson.

XV.

Emersons or Emsons of Co. Cambridge.

The early Lay Subsidies and Poll Taxes (Ric. II.) for this county are missing, but in the subsidy of 14 Hen. VIII. (1523), we find several sons of Emma, spelling their names Empson and Emson, at various places, including Cottenham, where Alice Emson is taxed in goods iii.li. xviii.d.; but we find, too, one Robert Em^{9}son taxed in *wage* xx.s. iiii.d., evidently a labourer living at Coton and over sixteen years of age, and we find no will of his later on. The question again arises, was he progenitor of the Cottenham family? Unfortunately, there are no names given in the Cambridgeshire Muster Rolls for *tempe* Henry VIII.

The earliest will I have is that of Agnes Emson, of Littleport, but in the printed Court Baron† with select pleas from the Bishop of Ely's Manor of Littleport, I find no Emersons, nor in the early Court Rolls of Croyland Abbey. The next will I have is that of Richard Emyson, of Cottenham, who holds property in the Church End in 1567. A subsequent will (proved 1602) of the family has the name spelt Richard *Emison*, whilst one Thomas, of Comberton, possibly a member of the same family, has the name spelt *Emmesum*, Thos., will proved 1633. All the wills after this date spell the name Emerson or Emmerson, down to John Emerson of the same place, will dated 1749.

This family were yeomen, and held under the Rector's Manor, King's College (Camb.) and Croyland Abbey, as can be gathered from their wills. Now the difficulty arises, from whom was this old yeoman family, still represented at Cottenham, descended—from Emson or Emerson? The Bursar of King's College, Cambridge, kindly searched the College books

* Peterboro' Registry. Selden Soc., 1891.

for me, and finds no Emsons or Emersons holding of the College in the sixteenth century, so that they must have become tenants later, as shown by the wills. The early Croyland Abbey Court Rolls have been searched in the hope of clearing up the matter, but neither Emson nor Emerson appears. Finally, the Muster Rolls for Cambridge have been searched (*tempe* Hen. VIII.), but there are no names given.

Now if the Robert Em^{o}son in the subsidy of 14 Hen. VIII. was the progenitor, I have no evidence that he left any issue, and certainly he left no will, for the first will is that of Richard Emyson (spelt as is the name of the Holme-in-Spaldingmore Emysons or Emisons). Altogether, I am inclined to think this family are spurious Emersons, and have obtained the name by the misspelling of scribes; but this is by no means *certain*, and no doubt deeper search of other records to the interested would reveal the truth. But the family is not of sufficient importance to warrant this, ancient though it be; and the evidence on the whole points to their being sons of Emma, descendants of Alice Emson, of Cottenham, given in the Lay Subsidy 23 Hen. VIII.

The Cambridgeshire wills printed in the Appendix show the family history—yeomen, mechanics, spreading over the county, some turning tradesmen and becoming bakers, whose descendants are to be seen to this day supplying bread at Cambridge, the first to bake being Richard, of Linton, will proved 1 March, 1739.

The will of Christopher Emerson, the Ely watchman (proved 1680), however, does not belong to this family; he was one of the Norfolk Emersons, of Hilgay, Co. Norfolk (*q.v.*).

I give a pedigree of the Cottenham family, compiled from wills down to 1800, so that any member of the family can easily carry it further.

In this county, too, at Thorney, were a family of Emotsons, which I briefly examined, because some correspondents spoke of Thorney Abbey *Emersons*. No such people ever lived. A family of Emotsons lived there, and their wills during the eighteenth century I print, beginning with that of a barber, Robert Emotson, who held a lease under the Duke of Bedford. Major-General Alexander Lyon Emerson, of the Lincolnshire Emersons proper, tells me that a branch of these Thorney Abbey Emotsons went to Lincolnshire and took the name of Emerson, and no doubt the family referred to is the Emotson alias Emerson family of Burgh, fully described under Lincolnshire.

XVI.

Emersons of Co. Norfolk.

The very heavy Lay Subsidy Rolls, including the first payment, of 15 Hen. VIII., for this county have been searched, and we get two of the name in the early part of the sixteenth century—Roll $\frac{1}{2}\frac{1}{8}$ 16 Hen. VIII., Bishops Lynn, John Emerson, in goods, xl.s. xii.d.; Roll $\frac{1}{2}\frac{3}{8}$ 14 Hen. VIII., Hundred of Holt, Holt Market, Edward Em^{o}son, in goods, xl.s. xii.d.—two genuine Emersons comfortably off, evidently in business, as they are taxed in *bonis* and are living in towns.

Of Edward Emerson, of Holt, I have no further record; but of John, of Lynn, yes. In the muster for Lynn, 1573, S.P. Dom.,* Vol. XCIV., No. 12, we get—In the warde of Robert Buntinge, Alderman, John Emerson: evidently the John of the Lay Subsidy, 1524, or his son. But curiously we get no wills of any Lynn family until 1660, when an administration is granted to Ralf Emerson, husband of Alice Emerson alĩs Dale, late of Lynn, deceased. This Ralph was the gaoler of Lynn. But probably a thorough search of the Lynn registers would give the pedigree of this family, a few of these are given in the Appendix (Registers).

The next earliest record is of John Emerson, retainer of Lady Jane, wife of Charles, Earl of Westmoreland, who was ruined by the rising of 1569. I publish two abstracts from Mr. Swallow's history of the Nevilles, which will explain the matter. John came from Brancepeth with Lady Westmoreland after the failure of the rising of 1569 and ruin of the Nevilles, for we find him taking a letter to Queen Elizabeth from Brancepeth before they moved to Norfolk. As to his origin, I have referred to that under Brancepeth and Raby Emersons (*vide* Emersons of Co. Durham). Whether he was one of those buried under the "four old stones" at Kenninghall, I know not; but there is no record of any Emerson in Kenninghall and Framingham Registers up to 1700.

* "Norfolk Antiq. Miscellany," Vol. I., p. 202.

Abstracts referring to John Emerson, of Brancepeth and Framingham.

H. J. Swallow's "De Nova Villa":—"Abstract from letter from Lady Westmoreland to Lord Burghley: 'In consideration whereof I beseche your Lo. to shewe me so much favour as I maye have a newe lese grannted for twenty years . . . . and that it maye pass in the name of thys berar, my servant John Emerson. . . . . From Fremyngham, the 10th of October, 1574. JANE WESTMORELAND.'"

"'There are,' says Bloomfield, in his 'History of Norfolk,' 'four old stones in the nave of Kenninghall Church, in the shape of coffins, but no inscription or memorials of any kind; yet I find on the 30th of June, 1593, here was buried Jane, Countess of Westmoreland, wife of Charles Neville, Earl of Westmoreland, Lord of Raby, Staindrop and Brancepeth, Winkworth and Sherryhutton and Middleham, daughter of Henry Howard, Earl of Surrey, and sister of Thomas, Duke of Norfolk (Kenninghall Parish Register).'"

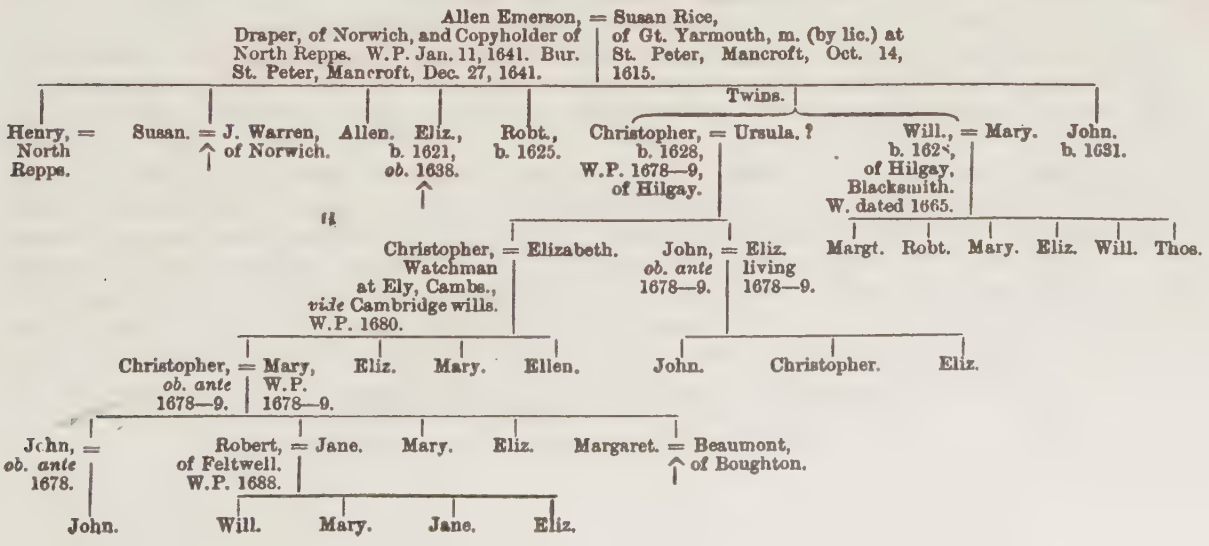
Sharp's "Rebellion of 1569," Appendix, p. 415:—"1616, Thomas Emerson, Esq., Steward and Surveyor General of all the manors, etc., belonging to the Earl of Somerset." Also it remains in custody of the officers of Lady Westmoreland, "who I thinke will answer upon their lives for anything done thereon"—Lord Sussex to Cecil.

We must leave John the Faithful lost in obscurity. The next record is of Henry Emerson, of Loddon, yeoman, in Chan. Pro. B. and A., Eliz. E.e. $\frac{1}{2}\frac{1}{7}$, 1592, by which we learn that he married (*circa* 26 Eliz.) Joan Smithe, widow of James Smithe, of Loddon. By Loddon Register we know he was buried in 1623, evidently leaving no issue. The origin of this Henry I know not. The Loddon Register records his death and none other of the name appear up to 1700, nor yet at Chedgrave. Mr. F. Johnson, of Great Yarmouth, got the Bacon Manor Rolls searched (*vide* Appendix: Miscellanea), and it is evident this Henry died without issue. Henry, however, is a name preserved in the next family, of which he was possibly a relative, *i.e.*, the Emersons of Norwich, drapers, of whom Allen Emerson (will proved, Norwich Registry, 1641) is the first recorded. Allen leaves properties at North Repps, freehold and copyhold. He leaves sons—Henry, Allen, Robert, Christopher and John, and a daughter Susan, who married Warren. Mr. Walter Rye, in his "Rough Materials for a History of the Hundred of North Erpingham," quotes, in subsidy 14 Chas. II. $\frac{1}{6}\frac{1}{1}\frac{1}{1}$ (*q.v.*): In North Repps, Allen Emerson, 5s.; in 15 Chas. II., Allen Emerson, xx.s. viii.d.—obviously Allen, Jun., the son of the testator, who also has three hearths at North Repps 24 Chas. II.

At Hilgay, Co. Norfolk, we find Christopher Emerson dies, and his will proved 1678 (*q.v.*), and in 1688 Robert dies at the same place, and has his will proved; and a widow, Mary, also dies at Hilgay in 1678. This Hilgay family in all probability descended from younger sons of Allen Emerson, the draper of Norwich, *ob.* 1641.

In 1660 an administration is granted to Ralf Emerson, husband of Alice Emerson alias Dale, late of Lynn, deceased, at Principal Registry. In 1777 we find some more Emersons at Lynn (*vide* Dew's "Monumental Inscriptions of Hundred of Holt"), as also at Longham Churchyard, 1719 and 1720, and later at Swanton Novers Churchyard.

NORWICH AND HILGAY EMERSONS.


Allen Emerson, Draper, of Norwich, and Copyholder of North Repps. W.P. Jan. 11, 1641. Bur. St. Peter, Mancroft, Dec. 27, 1641.
= Susan Rice, of Gt. Yarmouth, m. (by lic.) at St. Peter, Mancroft, Oct. 14, 1615.
Twins.
Henry, = North Repps.
Susan. = J. Warren, of Norwich.
Allen. b. 1621, ob. 1638.
Eliz., b. 1625.
Robt., b. 1625.
Christopher, = Ursula. ? b. 1628, W.P. 1678—9, of Hilgay.
Will., = Mary. b. 162[illegible], of Hilgay, Blacksmith. W. dated 1665.
John. b. 1631.
Margt. Robt. Mary. Eliz. Will. Thos.
Christopher, = Elizabeth. Watchman at Ely, Cambs., vide Cambridge wills. W.P. 1680.
John, = Eliz. ob. ante 1678—9. living 1678—9.
Christopher, = Mary, ob. ante 1678—9. W.P. 1678—9.
Eliz. Mary. Ellen.
John. Christopher. Eliz.
John, = ob. ante 1678.
Robert, = Jane. of Feltwell. W.P. 1688.
Mary. Eliz.
Margaret. = Beaumont, of Boughton.
John.
Will. Mary. Jane. Eliz.

N.B.—This pedigree is compiled from wills (*vide* Appendix), but it must be clearly understood that the proof of the identity of Christopher, son of Allen, baptized 1628, and Christopher, of Hilgay, will proved 1678—9, is not to hand; nor that of William, son of Allen, and William, of Hilgay, will dated 1665; and it may possibly turn out these are two different Christophers and Williams—but I do not think so. Otherwise the pedigree is on legal basis (*vide* Wills and St. Peter Mancroft Register in Appendix).

Colonel Steele, who has examined some thirty-six transcripts of Norfolk Registers (*vide* Appendix, Norfolk Registers), says he only finds in them—William Emerson, buried at North Walsham, 1638; Elizabeth Emerson, buried at North Walsham, 1638. But some others of this family will be found in the Appendix (Par. Registers), also at Guist.

In the Chancery Proceedings, 13 Chas. I., pt. 11, 1637, we get William Emerson alŝ Anderson, of Wiggenhall, St. Peter, Co. Norfolk, yeoman, selling Sparks Chantry and lands in Wiggenhall, St. Peter. Possibly this was the North Walsham Emerson.

In the East Anglian, Vol. III., p. 34, extracts from St. Lawrence Register, Norwich, I find the following very curious entry:—"Ye day of a great blowe by powder in ye city, Charles Emerson executed on the Castle Deckes as one of the pretended mutineers when the then Committee house was blown up with eighty barryls of powder, Jan. 2, 1648—9." Who this mutinous Charles was, what he did, etc., remains cryptic. I have no record of any Charles Emerson in Norfolk, and whether he was a native or "foreigner," "I must leave," as they say in Norfolk. I dare say, if Norfolk born, any descendant hankering for a villainous ancestor could easily find him.

Another Norfolk family contemporary with the draper's is a Yarmouth mariner, named Nicholas Emerson, will proved (Principal Registry) 1656—and well off for a mariner, too! This family were Huguenots, and their names are recorded in the lists of Huguenots who came to England; when they left it, I know not.

Nicholas Emerson, = Frances.
W.P. 1656, Mariner, Gt. Yarmouth.

Thomas. = Emma. Mary.

At Norwich Registry there is a will of Widow Emerson, 1664 (wife of Richard Emerson, mariner), who leaves a son, Robert, and as the will is made in the presence of Widow Emerson, late wife of Thomas Emerson deceased, we may conjecture the above Thomas is referred to, and that the families were related.

The Hearth Tax Rolls show how widely these various families had spread over this county, for we find the name at Wickhampton, Hilgay, Woodnorton, Guist, Scrowthy, Riburgh parva, Methwold, Berney, Wickmore, Docking, Swaffield, Paston, Dickleburgh, North Repps, Binham, Hindringham, Great Walsingham, Norwich.

In the eighteenth century we find two Emersons at Langham Church*—Nov. 9, 1719—20, John Emerson buried, *æt.* 80; Feb. 12, 1720—22, Mary Emerson buried, *æt.* 76; and at Swanton-Mary Emerson, d. April 13, 1782, *æt.* 61; Mary Emerson, d. May 5, 1782, *æt.* 19; Elizabeth Emerson, d. June 23, 1813, *æt.* 79; John Emerson, d. June 6, 1818, *æt.* 85; possibly descendants of John, of Lynn, in the Lay Subsidy of 15 Hen. VIII.

Mr. F. Johnson tells me that in Gunthorpe and Burnham Thorpe churches are memorials commemorating two Emersons, and on whose tombs are arms carved, *i.e.*, azure on a bend argent three torteaux; crest, issuing from clouds rays of the sun all ppr.; and Carthew in his "History of Lounditch Hundred" gives—Jacob Emerson, gent., 26 Sept., 1804, *æt.* 80; Mary, his wife, 30 Nov., 1818, *æt.* 97. In Foster's "Alumni Oxoniensis" we get—Emerson, Robert, s. Robert of Titchwell, Norfolk, *armiger*, Magdalen Hall, matric. 18 Oct., 1777, *æt.* 28.

Now, as already said, I have been unable to trace a single armigerous Emerson to Norfolk, nor do I find the names Jacob, Robert, etc., in the Lincolnshire pedigree about the period those persons lived, and I am forced to believe these persons have been claiming and using the Lincolnshire coat, and certainly they prove themselves imposters by using a crest that never legally existed. No Norfolk Emersons were ever granted arms, and I can find none before 1700 that ever rose to even professional rank—merely tradesmen and mechanics, farmers and

* "Monumental Inscriptions in the Hundred of Holt," W. N. Dew. Ed. by W. Rye. Pp. 96 and 134.

mariners; so that I trust we shall hear no more of the arms of Emersons of Norfolk, for such never existed; though possibly a scion of the Lincolnshire armigerous family may have settled in Norfolk, but I have no record of such; and if other Lincolnshire Emersons did migrate to Norfolk in early times, as is probable, they would, having come from the south of the county, very possibly be spurious Emersons als Emotsons—but that is for individual pedigree hunters to prove.

One wealthy man, Thomas Emerson, of Norwich, a sugar-baker, of London, gave a golden collar for the mayor's use in the seventeenth century, and the Holkam Emersons will be found under Emersons of Cheshire (Modern Pedigrees, Cap. V.).

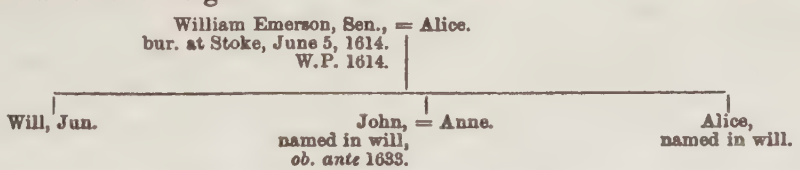
XVII.

Emersons of Co. Suffolk.

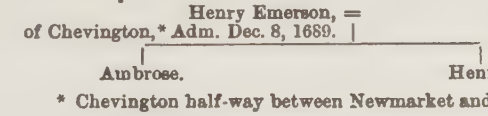
The very heavy Lay Subsidies of this county down to and including the first payment of 14 Hen. VIII., 1523, give us no Emersons, though the ubiquitous Emsons are common enough. The earliest record I have of Emersons in the county is in Chancery Proceedings B. and A., 1 Chas. E.e. $\frac{1}{4}^{6}$, 1627, where we learn that Ralf Emerson, of the Eastgate, Co. Durham, married about thirty years ago (1597), Mary Wright, daughter of Joseph Wright, gent., of Kelvedon Hall, Co. Essex, and held land at Brandon Ferry, Co. Suffolk, where Ralf and his wife lived for some ten years (1597—1607), and then returned to Co. Durham.* The early register of Brandon Ferry is lost, and we find after this we get none of the name there until 1682—1723, when we get *John*, Lyonel, Ezekiel, Elizabeth, Mary, William, James, Francis, Phillip, *John*, James, Catherine, Christian; and in Hearth Tax Rolls, 1670, John, Joseph and —— Emerson.

The next record is of an Ipswich family in the will of William Emerson, of Mary Stoke next Ipswich, in the Ipswich Registry, and proved 1614, where his wife and daughter and youngest son, John, are named. The Stoke Register has been searched up to 1635, and only the testator, William Emerson, sen., buried 5 June, 1614, appears. Mr. Johnson has also examined all the Ipswich Registers, ten in number, of the period 1615—1635, and finds the following Emersons residing at Ipswich at this time, and probably of the same family. At St. Clement's he finds—Joan Emerson, married 1615; George Emerson, baptized 1627; Marian Emerson, baptized 1629; Susan Emerson, baptized 1632 or 37. And later on in the same register he finds—Mary, baptized; wife of Emmerson, buried 1646; John, baptized 1652, 1666 (*sic*); Robert, baptized 1657; Mary, baptized 1661. Later still he finds at St. Mary Key, Ipswich, Thomas Emerson, married 1743, and at St. Peter's, Thomas Emmerson, baptized 1778—9; Thomas Emmerson, buried 1778—9. But at Woodbridge, 20 June, 1611, he finds Thomas Emerson married to Agnes Driver, but the name does not occur again in the register, so this was probably an Ipswich Emerson; and he finds a Thomas Emerson dying at Beccles, 1697, and leaving a widow. He has examined Hasketon, Great Bealings, Dallinghoe, Stretton, Barstall, near Ipswich, and many others but with no result.

But it is evident that there was a family at Ipswich early in the seventeenth century, and from the registers and wills we get



The administration at Principal Registry was granted to Anne, relict of John of Ipswich, 1633. Thus John was dead before 1633. There is no evidence to place the others, but it is evident they are probable descendants of this William, whose will was proved 1614, but there is no Ipswich will except this one at Ipswich up to 1700. At Bury St. Edmunds there is one administration only and no wills up to 1700.

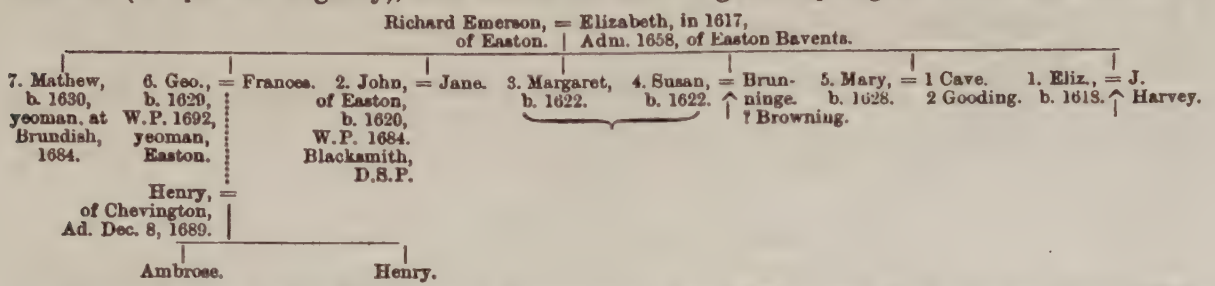


* Chevington half-way between Newmarket and Bury.

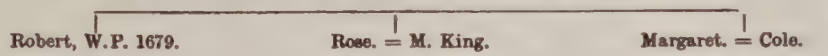
* *Vide* Essex Emersons and Durham key pedigree.

I have no further record of this family, but their probable origin is indicated below.

And lastly, at the end of the seventeenth century we get in the Principal Registry the administration of Elizabeth Emerson, of Easton Bavents, Co. Suffolk, 1658, and wills of the children (at Ipswich Registry), from which the following short pedigree has been compiled.


Richard Emerson, = Elizabeth, in 1617,
of Easton. | Adm. 1658, of Easton Bavents.
7. Mathew, b. 1630, yeoman, at Brundish, 1684.
6. Geo., b. 1629, W.P. 1692, yeoman, Easton.
Frances.
2. John, = Jane. of Easton, b. 1620, W.P. 1684. Blacksmith, D.S.P.
3. Margaret, b. 1622.
4. Susan, b. 1622.
Brunninge. ? Browning.
5. Mary, b. 1628.
1 Cave. 2 Gooding.
1. Eliz., b. 1618.
J. Harvey.
Henry, = of Chevington, Ad. Dec. 8, 1689.
Ambrose.
Henry.

There is also a will of Robert, of Bromeswell, Co. Suffolk, sackcloth weaver, dated 1679, devising lands at Clopton and Patistry to his sister Rose (King), mother Eliz. *Wood.*



It will be noticed that George, Robert and Susan occur in the register of St. Clement's, Ipswich, and in all probability these Emersons originated from the Ipswich family above.

Mr. F. Johnson kindly gave me the reference for the Suffolk ship tax (1640), Harl. MS. 7540, fo. 46, and there we find Emersons at Buxall, Helmingham, Fressingfield, Saxted, Hoxne (?), Wingfield and Playford. In some of these parishes the early registers are lost; in others they have been examined and are printed in the Appendix (*q.v.*). The Hearth Tax Rolls, taken some twenty to thirty years later, show some of the name at Eye (?), Oakley, Hoxne, Brandiston and Easton, where some are found in the nineteenth century, but none of them seem to have been families of any importance. I owe Mr. J. Johnson many thanks for the various register extracts published in the Appendix (Par. Registers), *q.v.*

Colonel J. P. Steele, in transcribing the Lowestoft Registers to 1786, found two of the name, viz., 1685, buried Mar. 13, Margaret Emerson; 1694, buried Feb. 1, Bridget Emerson, doubtless relatives of the Will Emerson, farmer, referred to in the curious document supplied by Mr. Cox (*vide* Appendix: Miscellanea).

XVIII.

Emersons of Co. Bedford.

I can find none of the name until the latter half of the sixteenth century in this county, and he was from London.

In May, 1561, was proved the will of William Emerson,* of Woburn, by Elizabeth Laxe alias Bromley, his sister. This Emerson, though described as a yeoman, was evidently very wealthy, for he bequeaths an annuity of £22 6s. 8d. to his sister Elizabeth Laxe; his leases of Burses and Brenttoll to Mr. John Easton; to his sister £136 13s. 4d.; "also £63 for the occupation of my malt mill at Ooboume, my lease of Church Hale and Bygyngese in Pachilsam and Great Stanbridge, Co. Essex;" also his leases of the manors of Warnors, Asplinge and Newlands in Great Waltham in Co. Essex; also half of £64 out of tenths, first-fruits, etc., of the parsonage of Pecholsham, and also his house at Ooborne (Woburn) and several minor legacies. Pretty good for a yeoman.

Now the Rot. Lit. Claus. record a little of his history. He was a yeoman of London, for in roll 1 and 2, P. and M. (1554), pt. 8, we find a grant by Henry Warner, of Great Waltham, Co. Essex, to William Emerson, yeoman, of London, "in consideration of his help and services in Warner's difficulties," and aid in recovery of said Warner's bonds, of an annuity of £22 6s. 8d. out of the manor of Churchawe, parish of Paraclesham, Co. Essex. In roll 2 and 3, P. and M., pt. 5, we find that "William Emerson, of London, enters into his own recogs. in £600 to Thomas Segree, of Ooborne (Woburn), Co. Beds, to abide decision of arbitrators

* Principal Registry.

appointed to decide all matters between them." In roll 3 and 4, P.M. (1556), pt. 2, William Emerson, now described of Pechelsham, Co. Essex, yeoman, enters into his own recogs. to Thos. Broke, of Earl's Court, as security for one Henry Cruche, of Greysburg, Co. Derby. And next we get his death and will, and possibly he was a bachelor and left no issue, and a Bromley snaps up the sister or sister-in-law, Elizabeth Laxe. Who this lone man was, and whence he came, I know not, though he could probably be traced, were it desirable, through the land records. I like his straightforward remarks on his enemies in his will.

A Ralf Emerson was vicar of Potton (*vide* Appendix), 1720—32, and though there is no record of him, there is the burial of a Miss or Mrs. Emerson in 1633, some years before his incumbency. This vicar afterwards went to London.

There was a prolific family of Emmensons at Little Barkford, and I have printed the will of one (proved 1637), but they are evidently Emmesons.

Finally, there was an Edward Emmerson, a husbandman, at Bedford, whose will is proved in 1657. This is in all probability the brother of Stephen Emmenson above, the name having been misspelt, and as he evidently goes out *sine prole*, it matters little.

There is no Emerson in any of the churches of Bedford itself between 1615 and 1635.

I have referred to these two families in case any pedigree hunter traces his quarry to Co. Bedford and gets fogged, for of course the name Emmenson in the will may have been spelt wrongly, and Edward Emmerson, of Bedford, may not be Stephen's brother, and he *may* have left issue, though not referred to in the will; but the *onus probandi* of these matters rests with the pedigree hunter, and personally, I think these two families are not Emersons at all, but Emmesons.

And this is all Bedford has to tell us.

XIX.

Emersons of Co. Essex.

The earliest Emerson I have found in this county is George Emerson, whose wife is Alice, probably Alice Wyatt, daughter or sister of Sir Henry Wyatt, of Allington Castle, Co. Kent. This George went from Yorkshire, and was obviously a man of considerable importance, wealthy and influential. The first notice I have of him is in Yorkshire Fines, 1507—Henry Wyatt, Esq., and George Emerson acquiring lands in Great and Little Fenton, Co. York. Henry Wyatt, Esq., was afterwards Sir Henry Wyatt, of Allington Castle, Co. Kent, and in 1511 we find in Yorkshire Fines John Heron, Esq., and George Emerson *re* the manor of Rysome and lands in Hollington. In Ancient Deeds, Vol. II., C 421, Henry Wyatt, Esq., grants to George Emerson et Alice *ux.* lands in Stratford Langthorne, West Ham, Essex—his first appearance in Co. Essex. In 15, 17 and 23 Hen. VII. and 2 Hen. VIII. we find in De Banco Rolls, memb. 419, 430, 82 and 633, George Emerson acting attorney for several gentlemen; but in memb. 568 (Roll 26), 7 Hen. VIII., we find this same "George gave the king 6s. 8d. for a licence granted to him with John Bushe, Sen., and Johanna *ux.*, Robert Warrent and Isabella *ux.* and Kath. Chaperfeld: 3 parts of 4 mess., 60 a. of land, 4 a. of meadow, 6 a. of pasture, 2 a. of wood, etc., in Ugyele (Ugley), Bierden (Berden), Bolyngton and Stanstede Mont Fichet (Stanstead Montfichet), in Co. Essex. Undoubtedly the same George as the above, for we find no further record of him in Co. Yorks; so that George held lands in West Ham Parish and in Stanstead Montfichet Parish and neighbourhood soon after 1500—as I have said before, a man of considerable wealth. Now Thomas Emerson, the Skelton forester, W.P. 1525, had a son George, of whom I have no further record; possibly the two Georges are identical.

Now curiously the next earliest of the name is Thomas Emerson, of Great Dunmow, a few miles from Stanstead Montfichet, and who has a son Robert, baptized 1561, in all probability Robert of Stortford; and probably the Herts Emersons of Standon, Bishop's Stortford, Great and Little Hadham and Sawbridgeworth, which are next to Stanstead Montfichet (though in Co. Herts) are sprung from this George and Alice. Possibly William Emerson, gent., who marries Mary Nuce at Great Hadham (Herts) in 1529 (London Marriage Allegations) was his son. This William had a sister Alice, it is worthy of remark. And possibly Thomas Emerson, of Romford, whose administration was granted to Joan, his relict, in 1595, is identical with Thomas of Great Dunmow. Important Emersons lived in these parts in later

times too (*vide* Emersons of Co. Herts). In 1723 an Emerson was Vicar of Little Hallingbury, and presented a book to Bishop's Stortford Grammar School.* They were also connected with London. It will be noticed in the records that William Emerson, of Thweng, W.P. at Scarborough 1486, and William Emerson, of Thornton-le-Hill, Co. Yorks, are both especially designated as "yeomen," whereas George Emerson aforesaid has no description, either in Ancient Deeds or De Banco Rolls. Thomas, of Romford and Great Dunmow, have no description of status; whereas the other Essex Emersons before 1600 were yeomen and husbandmen, *e.g.*, David, of West Bergholt, W.P. 1585, a yeoman; Ric., of Felsted, yeoman, W.P. 1626. Ralf, of Unthanke and Kelvedon (to be noticed presently), returned to Co. Durham, and possibly the various yeomen families round Great Waltham are sprung from the wealthy William Emerson, of London, yeoman, who died at Woburn, Co. Beds, W.P. 1561 (*q.v.*).

On referring to the Herts Emersons, it will be seen that Bushes in later times resided at Standon, Herts, and it must be remembered George Emerson, of Stanstead Montfichet, had lands licensed to him, and a Bushe and his wife. This looks as if the Stanstead Montfichet Emersons and the Herts and some of the Essex Emersons were all sprung from this George, who went thither in 1516. And as the Herts Emersons, William and his son Ric., are called in early documents (Inq. P.M.) "gents.," at a period when juries, etc., were very particular about these matters, it looks as though they were armigerous; lords of manors we know they were.

In the Black Book of the Northern Forests, we get under Hatyefield Forest (Co. Essex), fo. 7, "The custos de Brodehome sayeth that one Richard Emerson and others about six years ago slew three deer.—5 June, 30 Hen. VIII." This Richard was probably a forester of Hatfield Forest, and most likely a descendant of George and Alice, and related to the Herts Emersons. Other facts that make me think the Herts Emersons originated in Co. Essex are that Lay Subsidy, 14 Hen. VIII., no Emersons are taxed—the tenants *in capite* would not be; and that in Herts in a list of persons able to dispense xl.s. per yere, 1480, no Emersons are found, and we know the Standon Emersons were very wealthy for the times.

The next record is in Rot. Lit. Claus. 1 and 2 P. and M., pt. 8, where William Emerson, yeoman, of *London*, is granted an annuity of £22 6s. 8d. by one Warner out of the manor of Churchawe, Paraclesham. In 3 and 4, P.M., pt. 3, we find this William described of Great Waltham and Peckelsham, and in the Principal Registry is his will, proved May, 1561, he having died at Woburn, Bedfordshire. By his will (*vide* Appendix), he possibly went out in female issue, leaving all his properties to his daughter Elizabeth. Curiously enough, a Mr. John Easton is frequently mentioned in the will, and as the Eastons were closely connected with the Southwark Emersons, and as this William is first described of London, I suspect he is a scion of that family.

The Essex wills at Somerset House record various early members of the family in Essex. The peculiars of Bocking, Writtle and Good Easter give us no Emersons, but in the archdeaconry of Colchester, 1498—1585, we have a David Emerson, of West Bergholt, W.P. 1584, a Phillalego Emerson, of Wivenhoe, W.P. 1585, who goes out in female issue, and a Thomas Emerson, of Romford, W.P. 1595. David Emerson's family is given in the pedigree (*q.v.*), and of Thomas, of Romford, I have no further record. He is possibly Thomas, of Great Dunmow.

Next we meet with a doubtful Emerson, Ed., of South Fambridge. In Chancery Proceedings B. and A., Chas. I., E.e. $\frac{3}{47}$, 25 Nov., 1626, he is called Edward Emerson, of "Southsabridge" (South Fambridge?), and is described as a yeoman, and Mary, his wife, as widow of Joseph Bridge, late of St. Lawrence, Co. Essex. But in Ship Money Tax, S.P. Dom., Chas. I., Vol. 358 (1637), he is described as Edward Emerson, of Eastwood Willows, Ed. Emeson, of Rochford and Woodes, and in his *will*, P.C.C. Wootton, fo. 13, he is described as Ed. Emison, of Lee, W.P. 1657. A grandchild, Sarah Emyson, is mentioned, and his wife is styled Sarah (evidently a second wife). I must, therefore, place him as an Emison or Emeson and leave him. The other Emesons of that district whose wills are at Somerset House are probably his relatives.

The next family connected with Essex is Ralf Emerson, of the Eastgate, Co. Durham,

* Bishop's Stortford Grammar School Records.

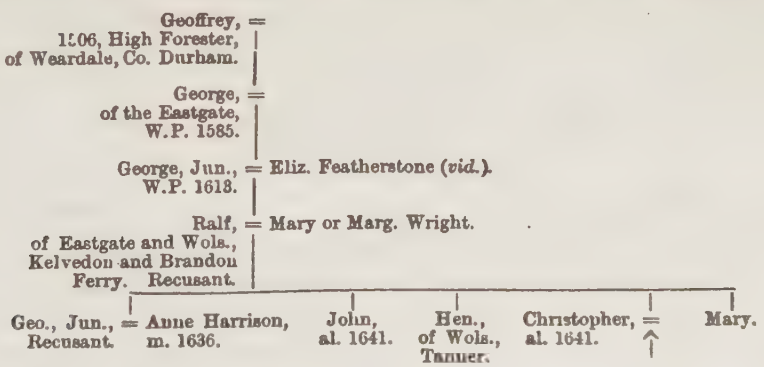
bŭt whether he was himself ever in Essex seems doubtful, for he seems to have lived for some years at Brandon (Ferry), in Co. Suffolk; but he evidently held property in the county through marriage, for in Chancery Proceedings, B. and A., Chas. I., E.e. $\frac{1}{4}^{8}$, 1 May, 1627, we get the facts that Ralf Emerson, gent., then living at Wolsingham, married about thirty years ago (*circa* 1597) Mary Wright, daughter of Joseph Wright, gent., of Kelvedon Hall, Co. Essex, and this dispute is about land at Brandon Ferry, Co. Suffolk, that belonged to Joseph Wright, her father, together with lands at Kelvedon. It appears from the proceeding that Ralf and his wife Mary lived for about ten years at Brandon Ferry, and then returned to his (Ralf's) native county, Durham. The early entries in the Kelvedon Register (beginning 1558) give no Emersons until 1633, and the early Brandon Ferry Register is missing. It may be safely concluded then, I think, that Ralf and his wife, Mary Wright, never lived here, but probably returned to Co. Durham (*vide* the pedigree of Ludwell Emersons).

If the reader will now turn to the pedigree, he will see that there are probably five contemporary Essex families at the beginning of the seventeenth century, one styling themselves "gents." at Vange, Dagenham, Nevendon and East Hanningfield; and the others yeomen at West Bergholt and Kelvedon; at Felstead, Rayne, Stebbing and Little Dunmow; at Sible Hedingham and White Notley; and lastly at Black Notley.

Now, curiously, the Ship Tax Money (1637) give only—Hincford Hundred, Stebbinge, Wm. Emberson, 2s. 0½d.; Saling Magna (out-dwellers), Widow Emberson, 2s. 4d.; Rayne Parva, Widow Emerson, 3s. 9d. This proves, I think, that the tax returns are imperfect. I had the Felstead School Register searched, and the only record is "Extraordinary charges, 1621. Paid to Ric. and John Emerson for straw 9s."

The various relationships of these families will be seen from the pedigree, and no further notices of them are required. It is evident the name was spelt indifferently Emberson or Emerson.

In Patent Rolls, Vol. 248, n. 103, May 12, 1594, we have a Thomas Emerson giving evidence that "Nicholas Owen, who was with Mr. Gerrard, Jesuit, at Xmas at Mr. Emerson's house at Felstead." Felstead is in the immediate neighbourhood, and the Mr. Emerson of Felstead is evidently Ralf Emerson, the Jesuit, who is referred to in the Patent Roll, 1584. This Thomas was probably a relative and of the St. Bride's family (*q.v.*). He tells in his examination that he was never in Flanders, and only went to Norway, that he was apprenticed, 1584, to John Edwards, of the "King's Head," in New Fish Street, and served for his freedom six years, when three years ago he took a tavern, the "Three Kings," in Fish Street, which he kept till recently, when he went to Berwick-on-Tweed. And two years he was allowed the Lord Chamberlain's livery, through Mr. Sadler. It must be remembered the Sadlers held land in Hertfordshire too, and in Co. Gloucester, where the other Embersons appear. Now Foley's "History of the Jesuits" shows Ralf Emerson was a native of Co. Durham, and born *circa* 1561, and the Recusant Rolls, No. 43, show us Ralf, of Wolsingham, to have been a recusant; also his sons, George and William, of Barmeton (Houghton), roll 42. Now turning to the Ludwell pedigree we get—


Geoffrey, = 1506, High Forester, of Weardale, Co. Durham.
George, = of the Eastgate, W.P. 1585.
George, Jun., = Eliz. Featherstone (vid.). W.P. 1618.
Ralf, = Mary or Marg. Wright. of Eastgate and Wols., Kelvedon and Brandon Ferry. Recusant.
Geo., Jun., = Anne Harrison, Recusant. m. 1636.
John, al. 1641.
Hen., of Wols., Tanner.
Christopher, = al. 1641.
Mary.

Therefore, Ralf, of Wolsingham, and the Jesuit Ralf are not connected, but the Ralf who married Joseph Wright's daughter, of Kelvedon, is the recusant in the roll, and so are his sons.

Turning now to Ralf, of Felstead, evidently the Jesuit, it may be said he was a Durham man, and most likely bought or took a house at Felstead *pro tempore*, and of course left no issue. He seems to have had a rough time, and considering the cause he served, one does not regret it. I give elsewhere a condensed abstract of his life from Foley's "History of the Jesuits," and admire only his tenacity and pluck, and deplore his services in such a loathsome cause. It would be difficult to say from what Durham branch he sprang, but it is quite easy to point to many branches from which he *did not* descend, and one of those is Ralf, of Shotton, for his son Ralf was evidently of age in 1567, when his will was dated, and this Ralf is said to have been born *circa* 1561.

Turning next to the Hearth Tax Rolls, we find the family has greatly increased in the county, and Emersons are in 1666 taxed at Felstead, Great Wakering, Vange, Moulsham, East Mersea, White Notley, Terling, Little Waltham, Rayne, Rayleigh, East Hanningfield, Dagenham and Nevendon, full details of which are given in the Appendix, under Lay Subsidies (*q.v.*). It will be seen that the ubiquitous, and to us confusing, sons of Emma are also plentiful.

In the New Court Repertorium Eccl., London—a compilation from various sources—we find Thomas Emerson presenting the living of Downham Rectory, in 1694, to Thos. Hervey, M.A. Probably this Thomas was one of the Vange family, who are described as gents., probably a descendant of Thomas, of Great Dunmow, who was probably an armiger, for in Symond's MS. Coll., Essex, in the College of Arms there is record of a coat in Great Dunmow Church, which appears to be the "Lincolnshire" coat slightly differenced.

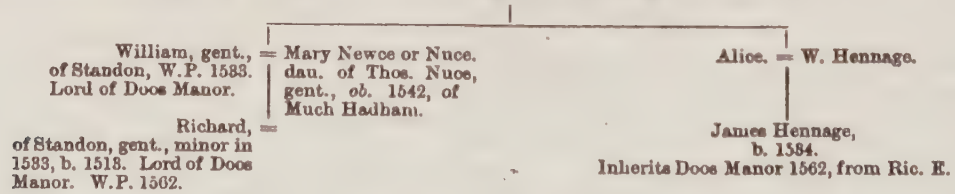
And, lastly, in Essex Wills, No. 4, East Anglian, p. 383, we find in the will of Thomas Cartwright, Bishop of Chester and Vicar of Barking, 1689, that he mentions lands in Barking bought from Mr. Emerson at £10 per annum. This Mr. Emerson was probably Mathew Emerson, gent., one of the Southwark family (*q.v.*), who according to Rot. Lit. Claus., 7 Chas. I. (1632), p. 27, n. 23, buys Tootingbeck Manor, in Co. Surrey, and other parcels in London and parcels in *All Hallows, Barking, and All Saints, Barking.* The registers of All Hallows and All Saints, Barking, give no Emersons born between 1615 and 1635, or about and previous to the purchase by Matthew Emerson, which strengthens the conjecture that he came from elsewhere and is the Mathew of the Close Roll above.

XX.

Emersons of Co. Hertford.

In a list of persons in Co. Herts taken in 1480 who could "dispense xl.s. per yere," no Emersons occur.

The Lay Subsidies down to 14 Hen. VIII. (1523) give none of the name, and the earliest record we have is the will of William Emerson, gent., of Standon, proved 24 March, 1533. As I have said under Co. Essex, I think all these Herts Emersons originated in Essex, and are descendants of George Emerson and Alice Wyatt, found at Stanstead Montfichet in 1516. From this document (*q.v.*) we get the following short pedigree:—


William, gent., of Standon, W.P. 1533. Lord of Doos Manor.
Mary Newce or Nuce. dau. of Thos. Nuce, gent., ob. 1542, of Much Hadham.
Alice.
W. Hennage.
Richard, of Standon, gent., minor in 1533, b. 1518. Lord of Doos Manor. W.P. 1562.
James Hennage, b. 1584. Inherits Doos Manor 1562, from Ric. E.

In a Chancery Inq. P.M., 1 Mary, pt. 1, No. 49, taken at Bishop's Stortford 4 June, 1554, we find the above William was seized of Doos Manor and other lands in Standon Parish, that the manor was held *in capite* and besides copyhold lands were held of Sir Ralf Sadler, Kt. They found that that William died a year later than he did, that Richard was his son and next heir and came of age in 1534, and that Mary died 29 Aug., 1542, and held the above properties until her death, when one W. Vance occupied them, King Henry VIII. consenting.

In Rot. Lit. Claus., pt. 2, 14 Eliz. (1562), we get Clement Nuce, Sen., passing to Richard Emerson, of Standon, gent., and others, various manors and messes, in Much Hadham, Standon, Thorley and Sawbridgeworth, Co. Herts.

In an Inq. P.M., 5 Eliz., pt. 1, n. 76 (1562), taken at Ware after the death of Richard Emerson, gent., it was found that he died seized of Doos Manor and other lands, and so seized he made his will (*q.v.*), 23 Oct., 1562, in which he mentions in addition his house in Trinity Gate without Aldriche (Aldgate), in London. James Hennage is his kinsman and next heir to wit, son and heir of W. Hennage and Alice his wife, sister of Will. Emerson, father of Richard. So passed Doos Manor to the Hennages. Richard's will, P.C.C., was proved 1562 (*q.v.*). The Newces, or Nuces, were people of some importance, and Mr. J. E. Cussans in his excellent "History of Hertfordshire" under Standon says, "Thomas Newce, Esq., sold Bartrams to William Fen, of Harrow-on-the-Hill, having obtained it from the Bands." On the floor of the nave of Standon Church is a brass to Richard Emerson, which bears the following epitaph—

Among the mo. . . whome death in wonted wise
Hath call'd from restles toyl and carking care
Of wretched world—Here Richard Emerson lies,
To teach the rest that lyve even what they are.
Three tymes fyve hundreth yeres three score and twane,
October on the eight and twenty day,
He chaunged lyfe, he cold not here remayne,
His tyme was fixed, for so the Scriptures say.
*Vitam mors superat post mortem fama superstes.**

In London wills is the administration of Mary Emerson, 1639—40, of St. Botolph beyond Aldgate, granted to Susan Newce, her sister. We have no further record of this family, as the Standon Register begins long after this date.

The next record I have is the will of Robert Emberson, a "currier" and landholder of Bishop's Stortford, proved 1620—1. He probably was a migrant from Essex, and the son of Thomas Emerson, of Great Dunmow, baptized 1561. A sister Joan is baptized 1562, and a brother John baptized 1565. Great Dunmow and Bishop's Stortford are within a few miles of each other (seven), and as the Stortford Register begins 1561 and no Emersons appear till Robert, m. in 1578, we must conclude he came from elsewhere. The same remark applies to Thomas, of Great Dunmow; the Register begins in 1537, and the first baptism is in 1561. His pedigree from the will is as follows:—

Robert Emberson, = Susan. ℭ RABB
W.P. 1620—1. Owns "Muggell's Dale," in Bishop's Stortford.

Thomas. John. Anne. . Margaret. = T. Browne, of Southwarke.

In the churchwardens' book of St. Michael's, Bishop's Stortford,† we find—1636, Thomas Emerson, collector for poor; 1642, Southstreate, Robert Emerson (for clerk's wages), 4d. We have no further record of this family, but it is worth while pointing out that Lieutenant-Colonel James Emerson, of Tangiers, W.P. 1664—5, talks of his nephew Mr. Roberts of Bishop's Stortford.

In Recusant Rolls, 1 Chas. I., we find George Emberson, gent., of Much Hadham, fined £60. I have had Much or Great Hadham and Little Hadham and Thorley Baptism Registers from 1559—1635 searched, with no result. And later, we find Emmersons at Sawbridgeworth, as the following short pedigree, kindly supplied me by the Richmond Herald, proves. I had the baptisms from 1558 to 1750 searched, and no Emersons appear; so that this again points to the family having originated elsewhere—in Co. Essex I again suggest.

Ralph Emmerson. = ——, dau. of Wigmore. | John E. =

Laslett. = Jane, dau. of Ralph Emmerson, of Sabridgeworth, Co. Herts. | John Emmerson, a Captain R.N., died unmar. | Mary Emmerson, of Sabridgeworth, died unmar. *cir.* 1820, only child. | Jenkins. = —— Bellers, of Hereford, dau. and co-heir.

Thomas Laslett, of the City of Worcester, gent., *ob.* 1816. = Sophia, dau. of Jenkins, living.

William Emmerson Kendrick Laslett, of the Inner Temple, London, Esq., Student-at-Law. *Cœl.* | Sophia, unmar.

Extracted from the MSS. of the late James Pulman, Esquire, Clarenceux King of Arms, and examined therewith this 2nd day of December, 1897.

CHARLES H. ATHILL, *Richmond Herald of Arms.*

* "History of Hertfordshire," J. E. Cussans, p. 177.

† "Record of St. Michael's Parish Church, Bishop's Stortford." Ed. J. L. Glasscock, Jun. 8vo. 1882.

It will be remembered that Richard Emerson, of Standon, held land at Much Hadham and Sawbridgeworth, so that probably all these Emersons are connected, but I have no links at present, though possibly a thorough search through the registers in the neighbourhood may bring them to light.

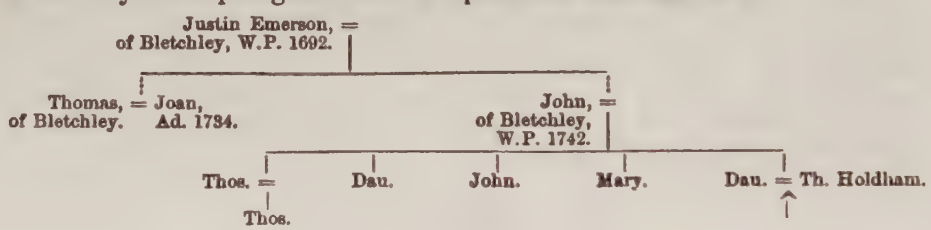
XXI.

Emersons of Co. Buckingham.

Never an Emerson do the Lay Subsidies give us, but they are of great interest as showing this to be a home of the Embertons—indeed, I believe there is a vill called Emberton in the county; but they are in no way connected with the Emersons, and the first record we get is that of Edward Emerson, of Hansloppe, who migrated into the county from Northamptonshire (*vide* Emersons of Co. Northampton), but we have no more positive information about him. One of the Southwark family, too, held property in this county (*vide* Emersons of Co. Surrey), but we have no further record of him either; so that probably both of these Emersons were merely temporary residents; but to those who think they are related to Edward, of Hansloppe, a study of manor rolls, if they exist, may help them.

My researches in this county have been of chief use in throwing light on the name Emberton, and its probable variant Emerton; but, nevertheless, we find the Emerson family appearing here, and in Somerset House we find the will of Eliz., of Lavendon, proved 1684; and the will of Justin Emerson, of Bletchley, proved 1692; and of a George Emerson, of Great Brickhill, which, unfortunately, gives us very meagre details, though he speaks of brother and nephews, but does not name them. The Newport Pagnell Emersons in the modern pedigrees are probably descendants of these families.

The following is the only short pedigree I can compile from the records:—



XXII.

Emersons of Co. Oxford.

The early Subsidy Rolls give us none of the name, and though Emersons were at college at Oxford in the fifteenth century, we shall not include them under Oxford Emersons.

The earliest record I have is:—"Particulari compote Owini Jones, Fulkini Emerson, W. Potter et J. Birde gen collectores tercie et quarte xv.^{me} et x.^{me} xv.^{arum} et x.^{arum} domine Reginæ nunc Elizabethe a laicis omne regni sui xxxix. circessarum in civitate predicta." *

Fulk Emerson's (of Oxford city) will † was proved Feb. 12th, 1617—18, wherein he is described as a tailor. In this document he bequeaths his lands to his son John, and his dwelling-house to his son Fulk, and he names three daughters. And this is the only Oxford Emerson will up to 1700. Whence Fulk, Senior, came, I know not—possibly from London; at any rate Fulk, Junior, goes to London after his University career, for in Foster's "Alumni Oxoniensis" we find Fulk Emerson matriculated at Brasenose College as "plebs," 10 Nov., 1621, *æt.* 17; but there is no further record, so we may conclude he took no degree. I next find him in London, in St. Bride's, Fleet Street, register:—Baptisms, July 24, 1631, Elizabeth, dau. to Foulke Emerson wyef Mary. And again, in 1640 in Hunter's list of principal inhabitants of London, we get *one Emerson only*, *i.e.*, Fulke Emerson, of St. Gregory's (by St. Paul's). In Rot. Lit. Claus., 22 Oct., 11 Chas. I.,

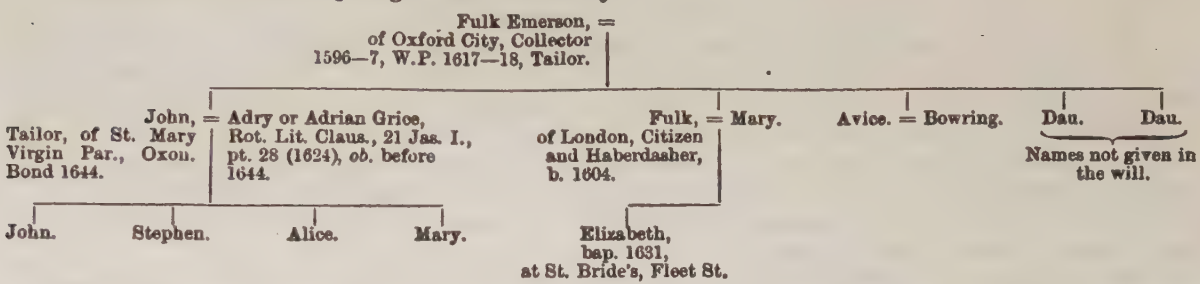
* Oxford Historical Society, Oxford City Documents, 1268—1665, No. cviii., 39 Eliz. (A.D. 1596—7), Bundle 163, No. 387.

† Principal Registry.

p. 24, n. 5, we find an indenture between Andrew Throughton, citizen and grocer of London, and Foulk Emerson, citizen and haberdasher (so he kept to his father's trade), and another for 5s. selling a mews in "White Hart lying in Buckler's Burg in par. of St. Stephen in Walbrooke in the ward of Cheap, London." In the Patent Rolls, 13 Chas. I., No. 2, the King allows Fulconi Emerson and others to alienate two messes in the parish of St. Stephen's, Walbrook.

And this is the last I hear of him. His will I have found nowhere, nor have I any record of his brother John, who may have stayed on at Oxford. That Fulk was pretty well off is evident, and his Christian name being distinctive I thought I might be able to trace him to his end; but such has not been the case, though no doubt an extended search amongst London parish registers would complete his record, for my search of the St. Bride's register stopped at 1635.

Appended is a short pedigree of the family.


Fulk Emerson, =
of Oxford City, Collector
1596—7, W.P. 1617—18, Tailor.
John, = Adry or Adrian Grice,
Tailor, of St. Mary Virgin Par., Oxon. Bond 1644.
Rot. Lit. Claus., 21 Jas. I., pt. 28 (1624), ob. before 1644.
Fulk, = Mary.
of London, Citizen and Haberdasher, b. 1604.
Avice. = Bowring.
Dau.
Dau.
Names not given in the will.
John.
Stephen.
Alice.
Mary.
Elizabeth, bap. 1631, at St. Bride's, Fleet St.

Finally, since none of the name appear in the Lay Subsidies for Oxford * and none appear in the Hearth Tax Rolls,* we may fairly conclude the family went to Oxford late in the sixteenth century, and that John also left Oxford, or died, before the Hearth Tax. And there is no evidence as to what branch of the family they were an off-shoot; their origin I do not know.

XXIII.

Emersons of Co. Gloucester.

After a long search through the Lay Subsidies of this county, including the very heavy rolls of Bristol city up to 14 Hen. VIII., 1523, and the Muster Rolls for the county *tempe* Hen. VIII., no Emersons are to be found—not a single one, and only one son of Emma. A Durham family first migrated to Gloucester, probably *tempe* Queen Elizabeth, for in the will of Thomas, of Coldaston and Mangotsfield, proved 31 Oct., 1586, his cousin Arthur, of Stanhope, is mentioned, thus proving the link with Durham.

This Thomas, of Mangotsfield (near Bristol) was well off. He mentions his wife Joan and his kinsman Thomas, of Coldaston, and Richard Emerson; but does not seem to have left any issue, unless Richard was a son—which is possible, for these old fellows had most peculiar methods of making their wills.

The next record is of this Richard in an Inq. P.M., dated 9 Jas. I., No. 44, in which Richard Emerson, of Barton Regis, near Bristol, was found to have died Dec. 7, 1602, and that Andrew (aged 7 in 1602) was his son and heir. The Registry Index gives the will of Richard Emerson, of Horton, dated 1603; but this document is not to be found at the registry. The Rev. Begbie very kindly searched the Horton Registers for me, and found some of Richard's descendants—a son baptized in 1625, and daughters baptized in 1630 and 1632. This Andrew married an Elizabeth, and in the Principal Registry in London an administration is granted to Eliz. Emerson, of Mangotsfield.

Next, at Bristol, we have Thomas Emerson, will proved 22 Nov., 1637, a dyer, bequeathing £50 to his son Thomas at his age of 21, and mentioning his brother Harnois' children, his wife's name being Mary. Then we have a Thomas Emerson, filacer (who marries in 1624 Gertie Strange, of Mound's Court, Gloucester Visitation), mentioned in the will of Thos. Farewell, of Holbrooke, Co. Somerset, whom he succeeds; this was probably one of the Southwark family.

* Oxford Historical Society publications.

And the origin of Thomas, of Coldaston, the kinsman of Thomas, of Mangotsfield, is still unaccounted for. His issue is given in the accompanying pedigree.

It may be noted in this connection that in 35 Hen. VIII. the manors of King's Barton and Abbots Barton were held by Ric. Andrews and Nicholas Tempest, and that in 1608 the manor of Clifton was held by Sir Ralf Sadler, and that Robert Symonds purchased the manor of Hewetsfield Driffield of the daughter of Sir Nic. Throckmorton, half the manor having been held 5 Eliz. by R. Townsend by marriage with daughter of Sir H. Browne. Horton Manor belonged to the Pastons in 1608.

The Great Orphans' Book, Freemen's Rolls, Customs Records and registers of Marshfield, Mangotsfield and Bristol (*vide* Appendix), have all been searched. A modern family (*vide* modern pedigrees) is descended from these early Gloucester Emersons.

XXIV.

Emersons of Co. Berkshire.

We get none of the name in the Lay Subsidies down to and including 14 Hen. VIII. (1523). The earliest record that looks like the name is that of Richard Em^{9}son, who in Patent Roll, dated 5 Ed. VI. (1552), is described as a yeoman, and is pardoned for shooting a "prickete" in the Great Park, Windsor. We hear no more of this Richard, but in the Berkshire Admon. Act Book, p. 11, 1632, fo. 232, is record of a Thomas Emerson, of Old Windsor, *ob.* 1596, possibly one of the same family. His will, proved 1596, proves him to have been a yeoman. He speaks of his mother, Jacanim Stevens, of Elizabeth his wife, and his son Thomas, a minor.

Next we get the administration of Giles Emerson, of Newbury, yeoman, who died intestate, his estate being granted on Aug. 8, 1632, to Sibilla Emerson, his relict; sum of inventory, £34 18s 6d. Whilst in 1666 we get the administration of Giles of Abingdon, a cutler, granted to Anne, his relict. And in Foster's "Alumni Oxoniensis" we get Thomas, the son of Giles Emerson, of Newbury, matriculated at New Inn Hall, 18 Feb., 1624—5, aged 18; B.A. from Magdalen Hall, 24 Jan., 1627—8; M.A., 8 June, 1630. This Thomas died at Hagbourne, Berks, in 1655, for an administration was granted to his widow Elizabeth on 20 Jan., 1655; no children mentioned.

As there are no other records of wills up to 1700, it may be fairly conjectured that one of the name wandered into the county in the sixteenth century, and his descendants rested for a generation or two, and finally, probably went out *sine prole*—in this case in all probability as a parson.

XXV.

Emersons of London and Co. Middlesex.

The Lay Subsidies for London and Middlesex down to and including the rolls of 14 Hen. VIII. give us no Emersons, nor do the early Middlesex Fines or Inq. Post Mortems. And before proceeding it is necessary to say we have not included the Southwark Emersons in this chapter, having treated of them under Co. Surrey, though they owned property in London. The same remark applies to Fulk Emerson, a prominent citizen of London, but a native of Oxfordshire, in which county he is included, as the history of his family is there given. Also William, of Woburn, Will. and Richard, gents., of Stondon, Herts, who are included in their various counties. Apart from these families there do not seem to have been any very prominent Emersons in London and Middlesex up to 1700, but such as there were we will now give a short account of.

The earliest London Emerson I have is Nicholas Emerson, freeman and householder of the Skinners' Company, 1538 (*vide* Midd. and Herts. Notes and Queries, Vol. III., No. 9, p. 39, and Vol. III., No. 11, p. 154). A Nicholas Emerson is buried at St. Saviour's Southwark, Oct. 24, 1582—probably the same; but I have no further record, and the Secretary of the Skinners' Company had no record of this one, but that he was a member in 1538 is proved by Mr. Salisbury's researches (*q.v.*).

St. Bride's Emersons (London).

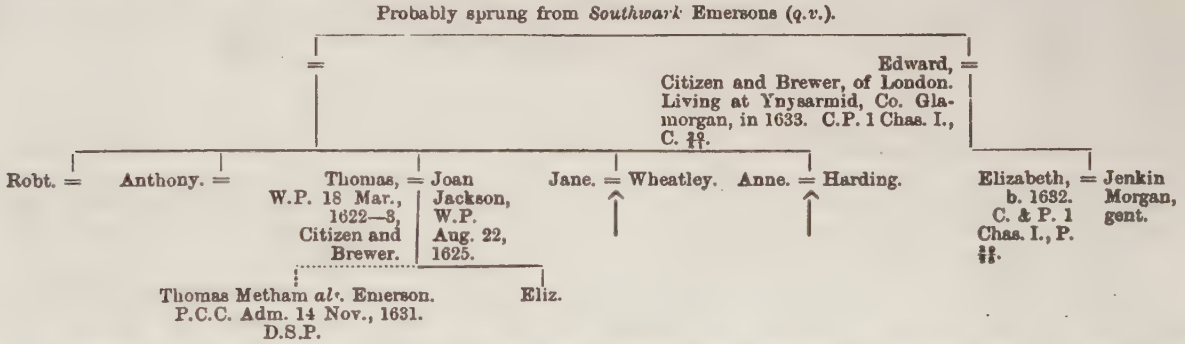
Evidently next to the Southwark, Oxford, Herts and Bedford Emersons, one of the

richest London families at this period. Their pedigree, so far as I have been able to trace it, is short but secure, but whence they originated I am unable to trace, though it is possible they came from the Southwark family, who it must be remembered owned "brewhouses" and held the famous "Salutation Inn." These Emersons of St. Bride's were also brewers and inn-keepers.

In S.P. Domestic, Vol. CCXLVI., No. 14 I., we get a history of this Thomas Emerson, who was examined 24 Nov., 1593, concerning some political affair. In the examination Emerson gives his history. He was apprenticed 1584—1585 to John Edwards, of the "King's Head" in New Fish Street, and served for his freedom about six years, when about three years ago next Lent he set up for himself at the "Three Kings" in Fish Street, where he remained till the last Annunciation Day, when he went to Berwick-upon-Tweed, and remained until these six last voyages intended for Hull. About two years since he obtained the Lord Chamberlain's livery through one Mr. Sadler, and has worn it ever since. He never served any other person, or spoke of any army that was to come to Ostend, or was in Flanders, though he was once in Norway for Hawks about May last.

In Chancery Pro. B. and A., B. $\frac{3}{36}$, 1622, we get this family referred to—Thomas Emerson, Innholder, and Edward Emerson. Thomas tried to arrange a marriage between R. Barrowe and Elizabeth Emerson, dau. of Edward Emerson, a kinsman of said Thomas; and now said Thomas refuses to carry out his contract.

Various other records refer to this Edward and Thomas, *e.g.*, in State Papers Domestic, Vol. XXXV., No. 48, Edward is bound for the debts of Thomas, and paid £4000, but owing to the plague, twelve of his servants died, and various losses had made him a bankrupt, so that he was taken to the debtor's prison; although in 1620 Edward was executor to Roger Bellowe, brewer (Rot. Lit. Claus., 18 Jas. I., p. 9, n. 14). There are other references in the State Papers and Patent Rolls, printed in the Appendix, to this unfortunate family, referring chiefly to their troubles.


Probably sprung from *Southwark* Emersons (*q.v.*).
=
Edward, =
Citizen and Brewer, of London. Living at Ynysarmid, Co. Glamorgan, in 1633. C.P. 1 Chas. I., C. ⁴⁄₁₉.
Robt. =
Anthony. =
Thomas, = Joan Jackson, W.P. Aug. 22, 1625.
W.P. 18 Mar., 1622—3, Citizen and Brewer.
Jane. = Wheatley.
Anne. = Harding.
Elizabeth, = Jenkin Morgan, gent.
b. 1632. C. & P. 1 Chas. I., P. ⁴⁄₁₉.
Thomas Metham *alᵗ.* Emerson. P.C.C. Adm. 14 Nov., 1631. D.S.P.
Eliz.

In B. and A., 1 Jas. I., T. $\frac{0}{6}$ and T. $\frac{1}{3}\frac{2}{2}$, we get Thomas referred to as Innholder and his uncle Edward, and it proves that Thomas died in debt, and his estate was not sufficient to pay his debts. And as Edward only left a daughter, the family goes out—excepting Robert and Anthony. I find an Anthony in St. Nicholas, Deptford, Register, with a numerous progeny, spelling their names Emberson, and possibly the ancestors of the Essex Embersons, of Kelvedon and neighbourhood—for Deptford is not far off.

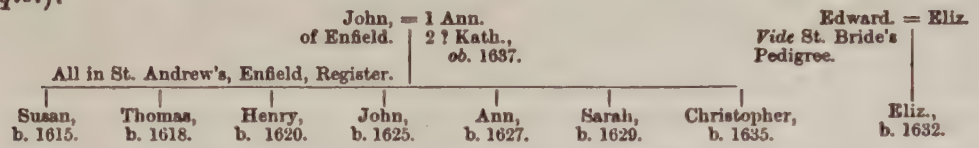
In C.P. 1 Chas. I., m. $\frac{3}{6}\frac{}{4}$, we get Christopher, Arthur and Marie Emerson, probably related to this family. Fulke Emerson and his wife Mary have a daughter Elizabeth baptized at St. Bride's. There is also a widow who married into the Southwark family (*q.v.*), and lastly a mysterious bachelor Thomas Emerson alˢ Meatham, *ob.* S.P., adm. 1631.

Enfield Emersons.

Next we come to the Enfield Emersons, who, I think, are descended from the Southwark Emersons too. Enfield is an old forest quarter.

In Rot. Lit. Claus., 44 Eliz., p. 24 (1602), we get an indenture between a brewer of Enfield and Hugh Browker and Thomas Emerson, of Inner Temple (this Thomas of the Southwark family, and H. Browker, his brother-in-law), whereby the Enfield brewer

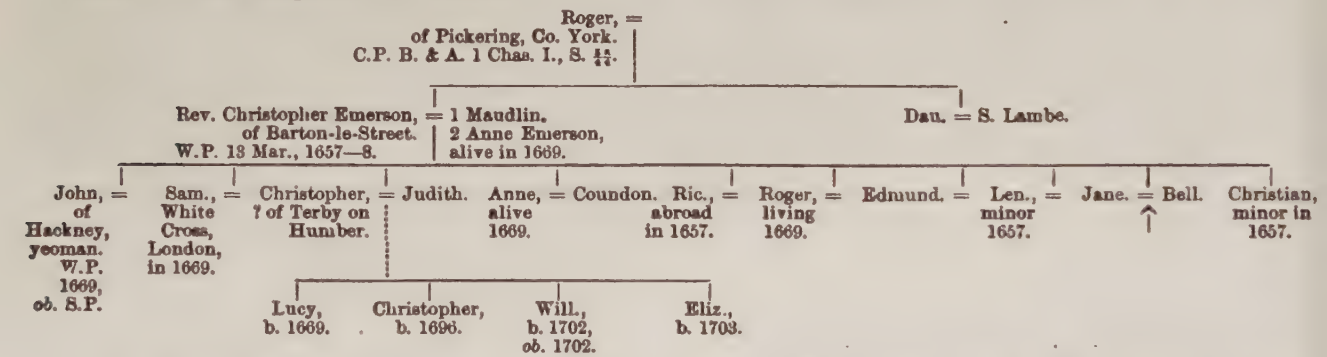
grants a mess., garden, barn, stables, parcel of meadow, 3 a. at Bulles Crosse in Enfield to Thomas Emerson, Sen., and Hugh Browker, Sen. The Enfield Register give us a John Emerson and his family residing there at this period, whose pedigree is as below. In Chancery Proceedings B. and A., B. $\frac{1}{6}\frac{1}{4}$, 1622, we find litigation *re* this property, when Thomas Emerson claims it for sums of money paid to Hugh Browker, uncle of defendant, *i.e.*, mother's brother. Now considering the brewery and the connection with the Southwark family, it is very probable this family of Enfield Emersons were connected with that family, and descendants of Humphrey (*vide* Southwark Emersons). Edward is possibly the St. Bride's Edward (*q.v.*).


John, of Enfield. = 1 Ann. 2 ? Kath., ob. 1637.
All in St. Andrew's, Enfield, Register.
Edward. = Eliz.
Vide St. Bride's Pedigree.
Susan, b. 1615.
Thomas, b. 1618.
Henry, b. 1620.
John, b. 1625.
Ann, b. 1627.
Sarah, b. 1629.
Christopher, b. 1635.
Eliz., b. 1632.

The Monken Hadley Emersons and St. Helen's, Bishopsgate, belong, of course, to the Southwark Emersons (*q.v.*).

Hackney Emersons.

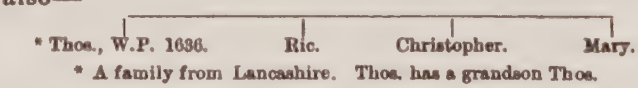
I have referred to this family under Yorkshire, whence they originated. In the Principal Registry is the will of Christopher Emerson, of Barton-le-Street, in Co. York, clerk. The pedigree is as follows :—


Roger, = of Pickering, Co. York. C.P. B. & A. 1 Chas. I., S. $\frac{11}{12}$.
Rev. Christopher Emerson, = 1 Maudlin. 2 Anne Emerson, alive in 1669. of Barton-le-Street. W.P. 13 Mar., 1657—8.
Dau. = S. Lambe.
John, = of Hackney, yeoman. W.P. 1669, ob. S.P.
Sam., = White Cross, London, in 1669.
Christopher, = ? of Terby on Humber.
Judith.
Anne, = alive 1669.
Coundon.
Ric., = abroad in 1657.
Roger, = living 1669.
Edmund. =
Len., = minor 1657.
Jane. = Bell.
Christian, minor in 1657.
Lucy, b. 1669.
Christopher, b. 1696.
Will., b. 1702, ob. 1702.
Eliz., b. 1703.

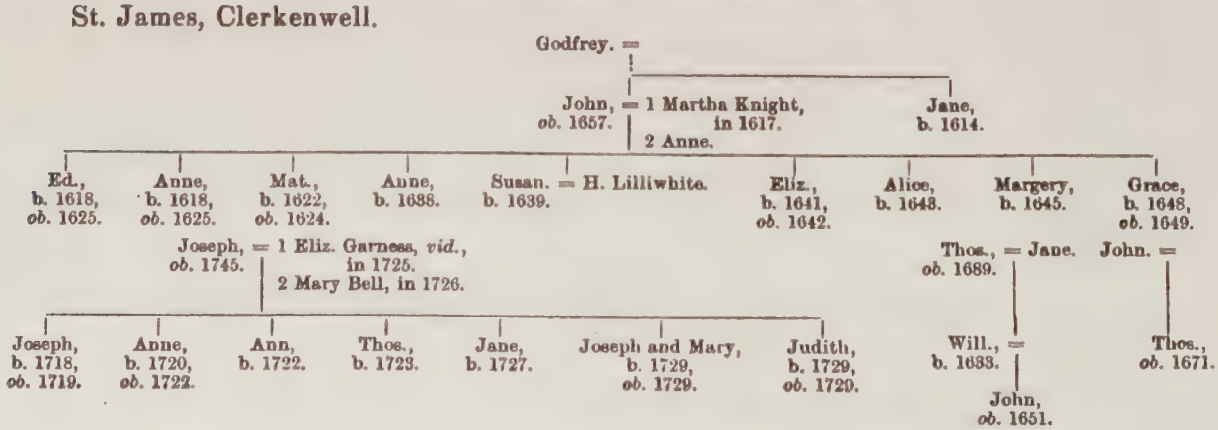
The will of John Emerson, of Hackney, proved P.C.C. 1669, proves the family moved to Hackney, and gives the other particulars noted in the pedigree (*vide* will in Appendix).

We will now record several minor London and Middlesex families.

St. Andrew, Holborn. Here we find Magdalen, adm. 1570; Cuth., adm. 1668, with a daughter Martha; Ralf, adm. 1688, with a widow Sidney (*sic*); and Geo., adm. 1723, with a widow Eliz.; also—



St. James, Clerkenwell.


Godfrey. =
John, ob. 1657. = 1 Martha Knight, in 1617. 2 Anne.
Jane, b. 1614.
Ed., b. 1618, ob. 1625.
Anne, b. 1618, ob. 1625.
Mat., b. 1622, ob. 1624.
Anne, b. 1638.
Susan. b. 1639. = H. Lilliwhite.
Eliz., b. 1641, ob. 1642.
Alice, b. 1643.
Margery, b. 1645.
Grace, b. 1648, ob. 1649.
Joseph, ob. 1745. = 1 Eliz. Garness, vid., in 1725. 2 Mary Bell, in 1726.
Thos., ob. 1689. = Jane.
John. =
Joseph, b. 1718, ob. 1719.
Anne, b. 1720, ob. 1722.
Ann, b. 1722.
Thos., b. 1723.
Jane, b. 1727.
Joseph and Mary, b. 1729, ob. 1729.
Judith, b. 1729, ob. 1729.
Will., = b. 1683.
Thos., ob. 1671.
John, ob. 1651.

St. Botolph, Aldgate. Cuth., adm. 1626; Cuth., mariner, W.P. 1685, D.S.P.; Ric., adm. 1625 to brother John; Ebenezer, adm. 1726 to relict Eliz. We find here two of the Herts Emersons—Mary, adm. 1639 to her sister Susan Nuce (of Gt. Hadham), and Thos. Adams, gent., = Eliz. Emerson, of Cheshunt, *vid. æt* 30 in 1641. It will be remembered Ric. E., gent., of Standon, Herts, owned property in the parish (*vide* Inq. P.M.).

St. Katherine Coleman. John Emerson, gent., a "waiter" in the East India Co., dies S.P. in 1693, evidently a wealthy man; dies in the ship *Le Armenia Merchant*, on the way to the Indies.

St. Katherine, Christchurch. Rob. Emerson, citizen and lorrymer, W.P. 1533, names his wife Elin and relative Elizabeth Emerson.

St. Augustine. John Emerson, a tailor, marries Eva Bayley in 1602.

St. Botolph, Bishopsgate. A Roger Emerson dies in 1584; Geo. E. = Isabel Conadine, *vid.* in 1603, and has a son Thos., who dies in infancy; John E. has a son James, who also dies in infancy; Ralf E., of Newcastle = Anne Young in 1701.

St. Dunstan-in-the-East. A widow, Eliz. Emerson, W.P. 1563, leaves three daughters, Eliz., Mary and Kath., one of whom marries W. Girdler, citizen, of London.

St. Mary Abchurch. John Emerson, adm. 1646, to Kath., his relict.

St. Nicholas Olave. We find Geo. and Cecilia, of Coxclose, Co. Durham; Geo., adm. 1660.

St. Matthew, Friday Street. John E. = Ann Price in 1677.

Holy Trinity the Less. We find the will of Ralf Emerson, tailor, proved 1625, which mentions kinsmen Geo., a carpenter, and his wife Eliz., and Ann = Fludd. Francis E. = Hester Tyte in 1663, a cloth-drawer.

All Saints *in muro*. We find John, a yeoman, W.P. 1639, D.S.P., which names his brothers Geo. and Will.

Trinity, Queenhithe.

John. = Ruth Cawthorne, in 1631, W.P. 1692, *vid.*
Ruth. = Attwood.
Sara. = Wilthery.

St. Martin-in-the-Fields. The chief family here was Christopher Emerson, whose adm. is dated 1672. He left a widow Ann, a sister Ethelreda = W. Wise, gent., in 1633, and a son John. He was a merchant, and owned property in Co. Herts and Co. Lincoln; in the former he was part lord of Abbots Langley Manor in 1644. There is a John E. = Mary Norman in 1604; but in all probability not John, son of Christopher. Then we have a family in humble circumstances, viz., Thos., a beadle, who married Agnes Gilbert in 1595, and died in 1636, leaving issue—Rob., b. 1597; Kath., b. 1601; Margery, b. 1605; and Elinor, b. 1610—the rest of his large family having died of the plague when young, viz., Jane, John, Margt., Eliz., Thomasine, and Makeway and Jane, twins. A Kath., *vid.*, = R. Nicholson in 1675. There was an early family here, for we get Rhoda, b. 1582, and Ann, *ob.* 1601. A Henry (*vir.*) dies in 1629.

Grey's Inn Lane and St. Andrew, Holborn. Geo. Norreys, gent., marries in 1623 Elizabeth Emerson, *vid.* of Christopher, of St. Andrew's, Holborn, possibly the father of Ferdinand, the cutler, W.P. 1633, who leaves a wife Joan and children John and Mary. This family were greatly persecuted as recusants, and were Roman Catholics, alas!

St. Mary Aldermary. We get a George, of Bowe Lane, = Eliz. Gill, with a child bap. 1621.

St. Thomas the Apostle. We find Robert with a son John, b. 1590, but no further trace of them. ? Robert, of Stortford (*q.v.*).

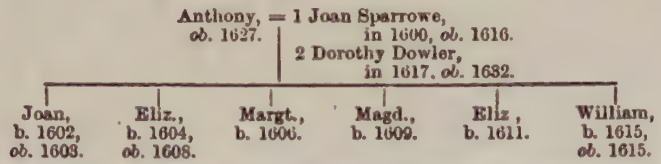
St. Michael, Cornhill. We find a Will., with a dau. Dorothy, b. 1598, and afar off a Martha, *ob.* 1736.

St. Anne, Blackfriars. Besides records of the Southwark Emersons, we find Francis Emerson = Mary Foxall in 1633, son Geo. bap. 1634; possibly the Francis, s. of Thos., of Southwark, b. at Deptford, 1609.

St. Helen, Bishopsgate. There are records of the Southwark family (*q.v.*).

St. Bartholomew the Great. We have a John, s. of John, b. 1616.

Deptford. There is an Anthony Emberson (*sic*) at Deptford, but whether the Anthony given above, I have no proof. The pedigree is—


Anthony, ob. 1627.
= 1 Joan Sparrowe, in 1600, ob. 1616.
2 Dorothy Dowler, in 1617, ob. 1632.
Joan, b. 1602, ob. 1603.
Eliz., b. 1604, ob. 1608.
Margt., b. 1606.
Magd., b. 1609.
Eliz, b. 1611.
William, b. 1615, ob. 1615.

St. Peter, Cornhill. The Rev. John E., of Horsham, marries Margery Poulson (by lic.), *vide* Sussex Emersons.

Christchurch, Newgate. We find the Southwark family again, and a well-to-do family, whose pedigree is given under the Surrey Emersons, one of them having married a Garth, of Morden, of Co. Surrey (*q.v.*). There is also a Ric., with a daughter Rebecca, b. 1605.

St. Ethelburta. Rev. Ralf, vicar, *vide* Newcastle Emersons.

St. Albans, Wood Street. Gives us merely a Rob. (adm. 1587) = Frances; Eliz. (d. of Robt. E., clothdrawer), = Will. Michael in 1665.

St. Giles-in-the-Field. Gives us another of the rare Phillips, adm. 1690, to Eliz., relict.

St. Giles, Cripplegate. Gives us Thom. E. = Ann Tomlins in 1649; Eliz. E., *vid.*, = R. Alton in 1670.

St. Margaret, Westminster. We have an interesting family or two here. Roger Emerson, Yeoman of the Guard, W.P. 1548 by his widow Eliz. Then we get emigrating families—Geo., who died in the Bermudas in 1693, has his goods administered by his sister Jane Chapman; Ellis Emerson, who has sons, Thos., b. 1613, Rowley or Robert, b. 1617, and Agnes, b. 1626. This may have been the Ellis who emigrated with two servants to Virginia in 1625 (*vide* Hotton's lists) to Martin's Hundred, where Rob., s. of Mr. Emerson, dies; but I have not had time to search the register, and hope to clear this up later; this is the only *Ellis* I have discovered. And lastly, we have Thomas, with wife Mary and children Susan, b. 1628, and Thos. A John E. marries here in 1602.

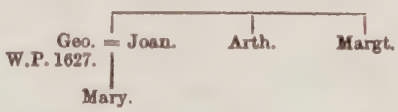
St. Michael, Bassingshaw. We find a Mathew, W.P. 1592, leaving a widow Margt., and a Thos., adm. 1611, a draper, leaving a widow Katherine. Whether this Matthew is related to Mathew, W.P. 1673, who leaves a son Nic., and daus. Eliz. = Seeres and Ann, I know not, for the latter have no parish given in the will; neither have a James and his brother Robt., who dies in Scotland in 1650, and leaves a dau. Elizabeth.

St. Margaret, Lothbury. We find a Leonard, W.P. 1628, leaving a widow Alice.

St. Paul, Shadwell. We find Ralf E., gent., of Newcastle, *æt.* 21, s. of John, of Newcastle, = Eliz. Kemball in 1690—Ralf born 1670. He was vicar of Potton, Beds, in 1693, and returned as vicar of St. Ethelburta, London, in 1720 (*q.v.*).

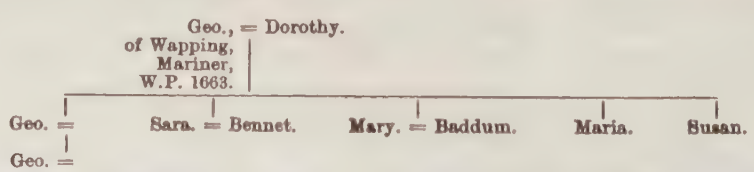
And this brings us lastly to the sailors' parishes of Whitechapel, Wapping, Shoreditch and Stepney.

At Wapping we find a well-to-do chandler, possibly related to Rev. Christopher, of Hackney (*q.v.*).



And then mariners crop up, old sea-dogs with and without wives.

Wapping.



There is a John of Wapping = Mary, and issue Len. b. 1621, Ann b. 1622, and Mary b. 1624; and a Will. dies in 1636, leaving a widow Sara to mourn him. A James,

too, dies in 1619, leaving a widow Eliz. and a dau. Alice, but I am not sure that these three were sailors; but all the following Stepney people are "sailors bold."

Stepney and Whitechapel. Michael, W.P. 1631, leaves a sister Magdalen Farroe. Henry, W.P. 1635, mentions a brother John drowned at sea. John, W.P. 1694, mentions his sister Eliz. Joseph, W.P. 1695, mentions his widow Mary, of Aldgate; and Henry, W.P. 1694, mentions his wife "Ulsey," of Stepney.

Shoreditch. At Shoreditch we only find John E. = Eliz. Calthropp in 1679; James, adm. 1704, to his widow Mary; and Ric., adm. 1731, to his widow Rebecca—possibly sailors, though there is no record of this.

Rotherhithe. At Rotherhithe, however, we get two more genuine sailors—Geo., a bachelor, W.P. 1688, and Will., a bachelor, W.P. 1691. Whilst we get in 1633 the adm. of Thomas, a bachelor, "died in parts beyond the seas," granted to his brother John, and Hugh, "died in parts beyond the seas," adm. in 1653, given to his widow Margaret. The Emersons have thus given their share to fill the "ocean graveyards."

We will now move out into the country round London, or rather into that part of it contained in Middlesex.

At Ealing we find Ralf Emerson, whose adm. is given to his widow Francis in 1587. At Old and New Brainford we find three families—Will., a waterman, W.P. 1586, leaving a widow Magdalen, and a son Ralf; Ric., adm. 1634, leaving a widow Elizabeth; and John, with a widow Eva, dying in 1629, and leaving a son Ric., adm. 1634—possibly the aforementioned Richard. At Norton Folgate there is a doubtful family—whether Emerson or Emson I am not sure, and as there is no male issue it matters little; but at Uxbridge is a family of tailors—Rob., W.P. 1691, leaving two sons, Rob. and Ric.; Rob., Jun., leaving a son Rob., and Richard two children, Ric. and Mary, all alive in 1691. Later there is a Thos. = Eliz., whose adm. is dated 1731, doubtless a descendant of the previous family.

XXVI.

Emersons of Co. Kent.

The very heavy Lay Subsidy Rolls of this county give us none of the name. In $\frac{124}{188}$ 15 Hen. VIII. (1523), however, we get—City of Canterbury, Ward of Newyngate, Gerard Enson, doucheman, goods xl s.—ii.s. A doucheman—obviously not an Emerson. Next in certificates of residence we get Bundle III., 18 Ric, 1620, Emerson, Thos., Kent., Hundred of Blackheath, *ar in bon.* viii.li. xiii.s. iv.d. This is most likely one of the Southwark family living at Blackheath at the period. Evidently a man of means, and a reputed armiger, who moved to some other part of England—in all probability to Monken Hadley, Co. Middlesex, and so would take his certificate with him to prove he had paid his subsidy at Lewisham. As a son, Francis, of Thomas Emerson, was born at Deptford in the Hundred of Blackheath, this seems to make the matter more than likely.

Then we come to wills, and the *only* will at the Canterbury Register up to 1700 is that of Robert Emerson, of St. Lawrence, Ramsgate, in Thanet, "Taylor," will proved 1636, possibly a descendant of the Uxbridge tailor. The Rev. Payne-Smith and Mr. Wilkie kindly searched the St. Lawrence Register for me, and Mr. Wilkie remarks in a footnote that the first entry in the St. Lawrence Register is the marriage of Robt. Emerson and Jane Angram, 1598, and that a branch of the family probably migrated from the cinque port of Sandwich (6 miles distant), the Ramsgate portion of St. Lawrence being limb or liberty of Sandwich, and the name has been known both at Sandwich and Ramsgate down to the present time.

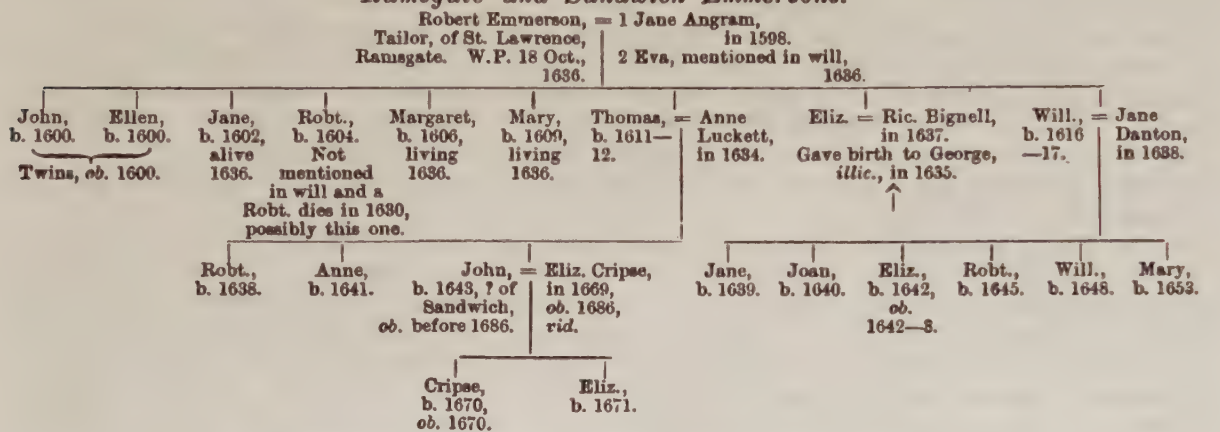
But I must call the reader's attention to the *modern* Emersons living at Ramsgate, who went in recent times from Lincolnshire, and who, I presume, are therefore unconnected with the family referred to above, and in addition at the Principal Registry is an adm. granted to Elizabeth Emerson, relict of John Emerson, late of Sandwich, Co. Kent, who died in parts beyond the sea, dated 1673. In S.P. Dom., Vol. CXLIV., No. 31. 1629, is an examination of John Emerson, mariner, *re* "acts of scorn practised against him by the mariners of the *Waterhound* in Dover Harbour," held before Sir Ed. Dering, Lieut. of the Castle. That is probably the above John who died abroad. Not having found any clue to Robert's origin,

and as the modern Sandwich family seem indifferent and contented with a vague tradition that they came from Yorkshire, I did not do as much as I would have done had they given me all information in their power; but certainly they are not armigerous.

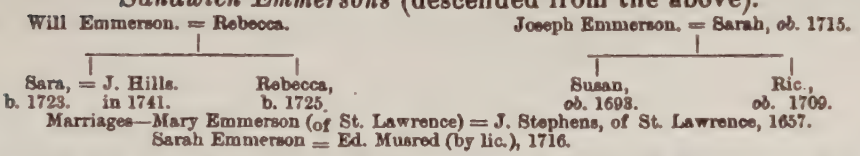
It will be noticed in the first two baptismal entries the name is spelt Emerson, but in the third baptism (child of the same parents) the name is spelt Emmerson; and so it is in the will of Robert, the tailor, proved 1636, and so it is spelt at Sandwich to-day.

I append a short pedigree of the St. Lawrence family of Emmersons compiled from the will and Parish Register.

Ramsgate and Sandwich Emmersons.

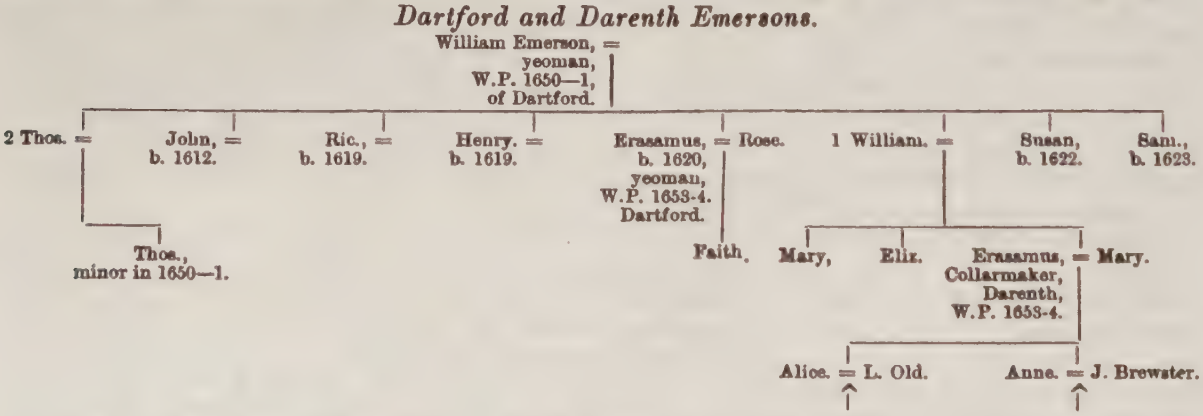

Robert Emmerson, Tailor, of St. Lawrence, Ramsgate. W.P. 18 Oct., 1636.
= 1 Jane Angram, in 1598.
2 Eva, mentioned in will, 1636.
John, b. 1600.
Ellen, b. 1600.
Twins, ob. 1600.
Jane, b. 1602, alive 1636.
Robt., b. 1604. Not mentioned in will and a Robt. dies in 1630, possibly this one.
Margaret, b. 1606, living 1636.
Mary, b. 1609, living 1636.
Thomas, b. 1611—12.
= Anne Luckett, in 1634.
Eliz. = Ric. Bignell, in 1637. Gave birth to George, illic., in 1635.
Will., b. 1616 —17.
= Jane Danton, in 1638.
Robt., b. 1638.
Anne, b. 1641.
John, b. 1643, ? of Sandwich, ob. before 1686.
= Eliz. Cripse, in 1669, ob. 1686, rid.
Jane, b. 1639.
Joan, b. 1640.
Eliz., b. 1642, ob. 1642—3.
Robt., b. 1645.
Will., b. 1648.
Mary, b. 1653.
Cripse, b. 1670, ob. 1670.
Eliz., b. 1671.

Sandwich Emmersons (descended from the above).


Will Emmerson. = Rebecca.
Joseph Emmerson. = Sarah, ob. 1715.
Sara, b. 1723.
= J. Hills. in 1741.
Rebecca, b. 1725.
Susan, ob. 1693.
Ric., ob. 1709.
Marriages—Mary Emmerson (of St. Lawrence) = J. Stephens, of St. Lawrence, 1657.
Sarah Emmerson = Ed. Musred (by lic.), 1716.

In the north of the county we find another family of Emersons in the sixteenth century, also tradesmen and yeomen. Some of their wills being in the Principal Registry.

Dartford and Darenth Emersons.



Adm. of S. Free alˢ Emerson, dated 1654, leaves an *illic.* son, Israel Free. The Dartford Register was only examined for baptisms 1615—1635. The entries, however, show there were other families of the name living at Dartford at this period (*vide* Registers Appendix). Whether this family and the Ramsgate and Sandwich Emersons are connection I have not traced, but it is interesting to give the following in this connection:—In the publications of the Lewisham Antiquarian Soc. under the register of St. Mary, Lewisham, is the following entry:—"Burial, 1588, Thomas Em . . . . at Dartford." Possibly the Dartford family originated from this Thomas, who, I presume, resided at Lewisham.

In the wills at Somerset House we find two or three documents referring to Emersons of the eighteenth century living at Strood, Chatham, Snodland, and Igtham, and Downe Chaplery, and Gillingham. We find Thomas Emberson, and Mary, his wife, at Gillingham,

Thomas Emerson, M.A., to officiate in the chapel of Downe, 24th May, 1638—no further particulars. The Snodland pedigree is short.

John, Sen., = Mildred.
Snodland and Igtham, Weaver, W.P. 1611.

Mildred. = Edmet. | John, Jun. | Emma. = Greensted.

The Strood pedigree is—

Geo., = Mary,
of Strood, W.P. 1703. | W.P. 1727.

John. | Eliz. = Cassleton. | Mary. = Page. | Sara. = Skinner.

Of the Chatham Emersons we have only an adm., 1707, and of the Wilmington Embersons only an adm. dated 1725. But all these are probably connected, and as none are of any importance except the M.A. of Downe, whom I cannot trace, we need not go deeper into the matter. There are some modern Emersons at Chatham possibly descendants.

And so the County of Kent has not been prolific in Emersons, although it seems to have been one of the homes of the Emerys, who, as I said before, seem to be of south of England origin.

In the Archælogia Cantiana, Vol. II., p. 162, 1687, we read in the Radclyffe Household Book accounts of Mrs. Helen Emerson, *wife* of W. Wright, porter, brewer and baker to Sir F. Radclyffe, Bart. The Radclyffes were a Northumberland family, and in Archæologia Æliana, Vol. I., p. 209, new series, 1657, we read that Ralf Emerson was a witness to the will of Sir Ed. Radclyffe, of Dilston, Co. Northumberland—possibly this was Ralf, of Kilham.

XXVII.

Emersons of Co. Surrey.

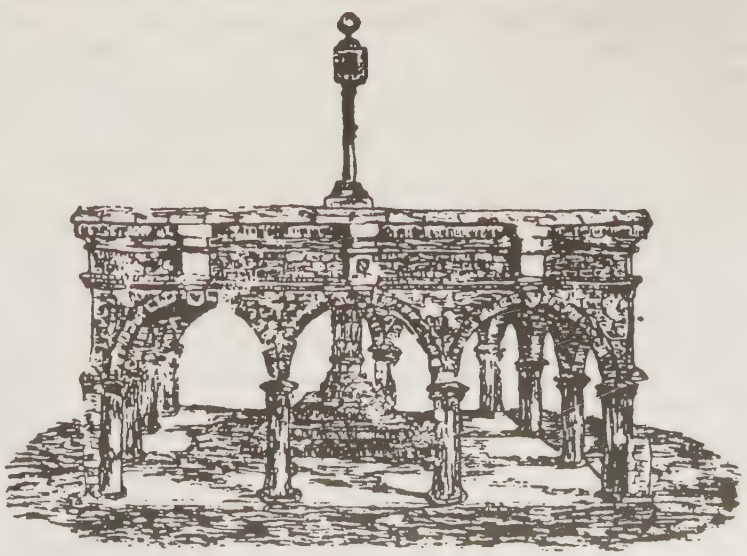
This is by far the richest family of the name that I have been able to trace in this country. I am uncertain as to their origin, but as will be seen later on, I conjecture they came from Lincolnshire to London, and probably William Emerson is the cousin of John Emerson, of Folkingham, Co. Lincoln, gent., mentioned in his will, proved 1541 (*q.v.*). Now for my reasons:—

(1) The London and Middlesex Fines and Lay Subsidies down to 14 Hen. VIII. give us none of the name, not a single Emerson.

(2) The Surrey Lay Subsidies down to 14 Hen. VIII. give none of the name.

(3) William Emerson, of Southwark, was a citizen and bowyer. Lincolnshire was noted for its bowmen in those days.

(4) And above all, the arms. The Lincolnshire Emersons were allowed the pre-Tudor coat in 1634. This family claimed and used the same arms, though there is no record at the College of their having been allowed them. But if the reader will turn to the records, especially the indexes of Close Rolls and Patent Rolls, he will find members of the family, especially Thomas Emerson, Esq., described as armiger in the various deeds, and it was this Thomas Emerson who in 1617 placed these arms on the Market Cross at Durham with the *saltire* of the Nevilles.



Market Cross erected by Thos. Emerson, Esq., of London, at Durham, in 1617. The Lincolnshire arms with T.E. around them are to be faintly seen on the front, 1617, whilst all around are the Neville saltires.
(Traced from Surtee's "History of Durham," by Sybil Emerson.)

I am aware this is not conclusive, but I have not the proof, and must leave it as it stands. Everything points to Lincolnshire as their home.

The next record is in an Inq. P.M. taken at the Guildhall, 15 Oct., 1560, after the death of John Swingfeld, who died seized of 21 tents in the alley situate in Southwarke . . . . 2 gardens, then in the tenure of *William Emerson*.

The earliest record I have of this family is Rot. Lit. Claus., 3 and 4., P. and M., pt. 2, 1556, when William Emerson, citizen and bowyer of London, and John Redman, ditto, take a mess., etc., in Bermondsey St., parish of St. Olave, Southwark, for £17, mess. called the "Woolsack." Southwark at this period comprised much the same land as it does now, *vide* Charter of Ed. VI.,* 1550, which granted the manor of Southwark to the city of London. In this charter several parcels and tenements, etc., are mentioned, but Mr. Heckethorne tells me no Emersons are to be found therein. In Rot. Lit. Patent, 7 Eliz., pt. 10, m. 23, we get William Emerson taking a mess. in Wannesworth, annexed to the Royal Honour of Hampton Court, and called "Le Savage," @ 110/- per ann. This was probably William, senior or junior, of Southwark.

Of William Emerson, citizen and bowyer, we know that he was a vestryman; we have his will in the Principal Registry, proved July 9, 1575, and in the "Annals of St. Mary, Overy," now St. Saviour's, Southwark (by W. Taylor), we read the following:—

"On the right of Jones's is the curious little monument engraved on the plate of *Monumental Remains*. It consists of a diminutive effigy of a man in a winding sheet, an emaciated figure, lying on a marble sarcophagus, at the back is a black tablet, on which is the following inscription, in letters of gold:—

"'Here vnder lyeth the body of William Emerson, who lived and died an honest man. He departed ovt of this life the 27th of Jvne, Anno 1575, in the year of his age 92.

"'Vt svm sic eris.'

"It is not easy to account for these monuments of diminutive proportions, they are not very commonly met with; Gough mentions a few among his funeral monuments. This was brought here from the Magdalen Chapel, prior to which it was placed against one of the great pillars supporting the tower. The name of William Emerson, with that of Thomas Cure, occurs among the first vestrymen of this parish."†

This monument is there to-day.

By William the elder's will we see that he was possessed of the "mess. or bruehouse called the 'Salutacon' (Salutation), 2 tents adjoining thereto, 6 acres of ground in St. George's Field (Par. St. Geo., Southwark), houses in St. Michael's Hill, nr. Crooked Lane (Par. St. Michael), part of the Woolsack in Bermondsey St. (Par. St. Olave's, Southwark), mess. or tent. formerly called Hardeles, now 'The Axe,' in St. Saviour's, and 2 other tents. adjoining thereto; a house in St. Saviour's and 2 tents. adjoining thereto, also the tent. 'Backhouse' or the 'Windmill'; also the site, circuit and precinct of the late par. church of St. Margaret's in the said parish; also 4 houses in Deptford, Detford Strands, and East Greenwich." A man of wealth, and large family, named in the will. In the Rot. Lit. Claus., 22 Eliz., pt. 13, Anne the widow and Thomas the second son take lands at Deptford. It will be best to follow this family in groups, tracing each son of William, the citizen, downwards as far as we have information. Anne, the widow's, will was proved 19 March, 1582—3, and the order of the children's seniority is given therein.

To begin with John Emerson then, the eldest son, who inherits the "Salutacon" and 2 tents. and 6 acres of ground in St. George's Field. He married Elizabeth Padgett, and had three sons, Thomas, John and Christopher, and two daughters, Judith and Anne, who married Anthony Skinner and R. Symme, respectively. We get their births recorded in the St. Saviour's Parish Register. John seems to have continued as a bowyer, and we get his will, proved 1597. As he does not mention his son John in his will, and as I have no further record of him, it may be presumed he died young. But in his son Thomas we have probably the wealthiest Emerson that ever lived.

Thomas Emerson was baptized at Southwark, June 22, 1577. Later, we find this

* Index Library, Pts. 57—60, pp. 209, 216.
† Annals of St. Mary Overy, by W. Taylor, p. 119.

Thomas described as of Lincoln's Inn. He was a barrister; at any rate we hear nothing of him until King James came to the throne, when suddenly Sir J. Ramsey and he appear in the Patent Rolls and Close Rolls receiving grants of manors all over England. There is a tradition that he and Ramsey saved the King from the Gowry conspiracy. In Harleian Miscellanea I find Ramsey's name, but not Thomas Emerson. However, he must have rendered the King some very special service, which King James generously recompensed; but there is not an atom of proof it was concerning the Gowrie conspiracy, as stated by Professor B. K. Emerson.

It has been quite a labour to compile an *approximate* list of the manors and other properties held by him, and to my certain knowledge the list is far from complete as it stands, but I give a large number to show his wealth. He was probably one of the wealthiest commoners in England in King James' reign, and that he got no title shows he cared nothing for such things. For further details concerning the properties, I must refer the reader to the abstracts from the rolls in the Appendix.

List of some properties granted or purchased or sold by Thomas Emerson, Esq.

PATENT ROLLS.

2 Jas. I., Pt. 10. Rex to Sir J. Ramsey and Thos. E., manor of Swaffham, and others in Northumberland' Surrey, Cornwall, Derby, Lincoln, Yorks, Notts, Northampton.

4 Jas. I., Pt. 17. Sir J. Ramsey and Thos.. ⅓ of grain growing in Parish of Hoton Cranswick, Co. York.

4 Jas. I., Pt. 18. Rex to Thos. Emerson, Esq., Rectory and Church of Burgham, Co. Kent.

4 Jas. I., Pt. 21. Rex to Thos. E. and W. Bennet, free Chapel of Fichelden, Co. Wilts, with others in same county, and in Dorset, Bristol, Devon, Berks, Kent, Huntingdon, Sussex, Lincoln, Nottingham, and Southampton.

4 Jas. I., Pt. 29. Rex to Thomas Emerson, Esq., and W. Bennet, Esq., 1 mess. and tent. in Par. of St. Martin's, City of London, with others in Co. Somerset, Wilts, Lincoln.

5 Jas. I., Pt. 24. Rex to Thomas Emerson, Esq., 1 mess in St. David's, Downe, and others in Co. Devon, Dorset, Somerset, Lincoln, Leicester, Oxford, Southampton, Wilts, Northumberland and York.

7 Jas. I., Pt. 12. Rex to Thomas Emerson, all the burgh of Malmesbury, and divers others in Wilts, Dorset, Leicester, Lincoln, York, Durham.

12 Jas. I., Pt. 1, No. 5. Rex to Thos. E. and Martin James, 1 mess. Ramsden, in Snarden, and others in Kent.

13 Jas. I., Pt. 12, No. 92. Rex to Thomas E., manor of New Langport, Co. Kent.

14 Jas. I., Pt. 18, No. 3. Rex to Thomas E., manor of Parva Chilton, and others in Durham, Huntingdon, Kent, and Berks.

15 Jas. I., Pt. 10, No. 17. Rex to Thomas E., manors of New Langport and Sevans and others in Co. Kent.

15 Jas. I., Pt. 27, No. 41. Rex to Thomas E., licence to alienate Parva Chilton, and others in County Durham to Ed. Cropley.

18 Jas. I., Pt. 28, No. 40. Rex to Thos. E., 20 mess. in town of London, and a mess. called Renged Hall.

19 Jas., Pt. 18, No. 33. Rex to Thos. E. and others, licence to alienate Renged Hall, and others in London.

1 Chas., Pt. 23, No. 16. Rex to Thomas E., licence to alienate the Vicaridge and others in Co. Middlesex.

2 Chas. I., Pt. 30, No. 73. Rex to Jane Emerson,* licence to alienate manor of Monken Hadley in Co. Middlesex.

7 Chas. I., Pt. 30, No. 25. Rex to Thos. E.,† to alienate half the lands in Neenesavage and Wabtowne, Co. Salop., and ½ of mess. in Gleebury Mortimea Gleeburie, Barnes and Hopton Wafrey, Co. Salop.

STATE PAPERS (DOMESTIC), JAS. I.

A repetition of some of the above grants of manors and the following references:—Vol. LXVI., No. 29, 1611. Discourse with Mr. Emerson (the said Thomas, of St. Helen's) *re* the Earl of Northumberland's absenting himself from Parliament on Gunpowder Plot Day. Thomas Emerson, Esq., we know, was steward to the Earl of Somerset in 1613 (*vide* his survey printed elsewhere). A local caretaker Sanderson seems to have been aggrieved, and we get:—Vol. LXXXIII., No. 37, No. 59, Sanderson's complaints. Notwithstanding in Vol. CIII., No. 88, we get Thomas Emerson reappointed steward after Somerset's death in 1618. In Vol. XCIV., No. 14, 1628, we get references to Mr. Emerson's stewardship. This was of course after his death in 1624; and in Vol. CLI., No. 9, we get a widow of Captain Aley begging for arrears *re* Bradbury and Hilton Manors granted to the late Thomas Emerson. In Vol. CCCLXXVIII., No. 37 (1637—8), we get Bradbury and Hilton Manors granted to Edward Manning. In Vol. LXVI., No. 29, we get fuller details *re* Thomas Emerson's remarks *re* the Gunpowder Plot, and in Vol. LXXXIII., No. 26 I., we get Thomas Emerson's doings as steward to the Earl of Somerset. In Vol. LXXXIII., No. 26 II., Sanderson's remon. comes out again, and in Vol. LXXXIII., No. 37 (1615), we get more of the numerous Sanderson complaints; but the confirmation of the stewardship in 1618 shows what they were worth.

* Widow of the above Thomas.

† Eldest son of Thomas and Jane above.

CHANCERY PROCEEDINGS.

Thomas Emerson, senior and junior, kept out of legal wrangles, but in Ch. B. and A., Chas. I., Ee. ⅓ and ditto Ee. ⅓, we get the plaints of the two Elizabeths, fatherless and motherless children of Thomas Emerson, Esq., and the history of the wrangling over the great properties.

CLOSE ROLLS.

These from 2 Jas. I. are full of Thomas Emerson, Esq., and his son and their properties, and I must refer the reader to them in the Appendix. We gather the various changes of residence from these deeds:—Thomas Emerson, Esq., of *Lincoln's Inn*, of *St. Helen's*, of Blackfriars, of Brancepeth, Co. Durham, and finally of Monken Hadley, and his son, of Monken Hadley and Ratcliffe.

Thomas married Jane Turner, and we find him variously described as of St. Helen's, Bishopsgate, Durham, Ratcliffe, St. Martin-in-the-Fields, and Monken Hadley. King James granted Brancepeth, Raby and other castles to the Earl of Somerset, and we find this Thomas Emerson was his steward, and Mr. Swallow in his "House of Neville," gives the following, taken I believe from Sir Cuthbert Sharpe's MSS.

"Survey of Neville Manors," taken 1614, shows a shocking scene of desolation. James I. made his favourite Robert Carr, Baron Brancepeth and Earl of Somerset, and the castle was in the occupation of the baronet from the year 1613 to the date of his condemnation (1616). In the survey made by his steward and surveyor Thomas Emerson, the windows of the castle are described as filled with marvellous glass of Normandy, wrought with arms and imagery, the gallery being adorned with the whole history of our Saviour Jesus Christ, from His birth to His ascension, 'the like not to be got for almost any money.'"—"*De Nova Villa*," or "The House of Nevill," by H. J. Swallow, 1885. But before leaving Southwark we find Thomas* and his mother subscribing to the church. "Eliz. Pagett, 1618, by will: paid by Thomas Emerson her son to 4 poor women 3d. a week each, £50 for an annuity, £2 10s. 9d." 1620: Thomas Emerson by deed to two poor men 1s. a week, but now given to six men at 3d. per week. Charged on garden plot in Maid Lane, now built upon, and was formerly let for £5 4s. 0d., now £50. 1620: Thomas Emerson to the poor an annuity yearly for ever out of the Dagger tenements, St. Saviour's £100 for an annuity, £10 10s. 0d. (J. Symonds). Sir John Fenn,† land at Ipswich to St. Saviour's Church. Could the Ipswich, Co. Suffolk, Emersons have originated by any chance from Southwark?

In 1617, when King James visited Durham and Newcastle, this Thomas erected a Market Cross at Durham, and the Kail Cross at Newcastle, bearing his arms, and saltire of the Nevilles. There has been much conjecture why he placed the Neville's saltire on the cross, but no one has suggested any reasonable explanation.

After Somerset's death we find Thomas Emerson and his wife and family settling at Monken Hadley, Co. Middlesex, where we will follow his history in Rev. F. C. Cass' "History of Monken Hadley," pp. 59—63.

"Mr. Emerson, before acquiring possession of the manor, had been a liberal benefactor to the church, and it must have been with a pang of deep regret that Mr. Ely Tournor wrote down the entry in the burial register:—

'1624, June 20. Thomas Emerson, armig. dominus huius manerii et donator huius libri, est sepultus.' ‡

"In this one instance only does Mr. Tournor depart from his custom of making the entries in English. To the generous lord of the manor he concedes the distinction of Latin.

"The date of the earliest extant register is 1619, when a book was given for the purpose by Mr. Emerson. It contains the following title in the handwriting of Mr. Ely Tournor: Insipit Ely Tournor (Deo auspicante) decimo tertio die mensis Martii Anno doi. 1618 (1618—9). There is also a list, in the same hand, of this and other benefactions of the patron at this date.

"'This booke was the free gift of Thomas Emersom, esq., sometimes Ld. of the Mannor of this parish of Hadly, and this booke was given in the yeare of or. Ld., 1619.'

"Ite. in the same yeare he gave to the use of poore of this parish, Hadly, the some of thirty pounds of lawfull english mony, the pfitts thereof yearly to be given to the poore.

"'Ite. in the same yeare, at his owne pp. coste, he beawtified the Chancell and both the Isles, and the whole body of the Church with wanescott pews and sieled the church with wanscott.

"'Ite. in the same yeare he sieled the Chancell.

"'Ite. in the same yeare he built the screene betwist the Chancell and the Church.

"'Ite. he built the pulpitt, and the cover for the font the same yeare, and all this at his owne pp. coste.

"'Ite. in the same yeare he gave the Clock and Clockhouse and sett it up at his own pp. coste.

"'Ite. in the same yeare the said Thomas Emersom gave three pieces of plate, that is to say, one faire

* Manning and Bray's "History of Surrey," Southwark Church.

† *Vide* Unclaimed money, Emerson and Fenn.

‡ 31 Aug. 1624. Admin. granted to Jane Emerson, relict of Thomas Emerson, Esq., late of Hadly, co. Middlesex, deceased.

guilt spout pott, one Comunion cupp with a cover all guilt, one guilt plate for the bread at the Comunion, with a cover to putt the said plate into.

"'Ite. at the saune time the said Thomas Emersom gave a faire greene carpett with silk frindg for the Comunion table.

"'Ite. he gave a faire damask table cloth for the Comunion table, also damask napkin.

"'Ite. a faire greene velvet coishen for the pulpitt, with a greene Cover.

"'Ite. he gave a faire trunck to put these ornaments into.

"'Ite. he gave the Comunion table.

"'The said Thomas Emersom, esq., departed this mortall life the 18th day of June, 1623 (sic), and lieth buried in north isle of this parish church of Hadly under the north window of the said isle.'

"Judged by the standard of an improved taste these renovations were no doubt barbarisms, and what the eyes of simple Ely Tournor regarded with complacency would have met with unreserved condemnation in our own day. Still, Mr. Emerson dedicated, we may be sure, the best in his power and, like David of old, in the matter of Araunah's threshing floor, would have scorned to offer unto the Lord his God of that which had cost him nothing. The actors in any given age, however uncongenial to them, cannot shake themselves altogether free from its prejudices. We must place ourselves, in imagination, in the year of grace, 1619, in order to estimate aright what might or might not then have been done.

"In 1619 the tide which, in the latter portion of Elizabeth's reign, had set steadily towards Puritanism, was now widening its channel and flowing apace, soon to carry everything before it—church, crown, constitution—in the reaction against Rome and prerogative. Laud vainly endeavoured to stem it a few years later, and æsthetic beauty stood little chance of being understood, much less considered, under any circumstances where the merest utility was in question. The erection of a screen seems, notwithstanding, to indicate a certain amount of respect for ecclesiastical arrangement, unless the object were simply to separate from the rest that portion of the sacred edifice to which the lord and patron laid claim. At the same time we know that Ely Tournor was himself deprived under the Commonwealth, and any influence he may have possessed, at the period of which we are now speaking, may consequently have been, as far as it extended, on the side of decency and order. Those wainscot pews, synchronized nevertheless with the introduction of that new order of things when parishioners, and even non-parishioners, if persons of weight and dignity* were permitted to fence off such unsightly enclosures for the benefit of themselves and their families, and to erect galleries here, there, and everywhere, in defiance of the most elementary principles of architectural design. It is likely, too, that the wainscot sealing now first intervened between the worshippers and the timbered roof of Tudor times, and that the beautiful arch between nave and tower was now concealed from view.

"These evidences of his handiwork have all been swept away, but the name of Emerson will not be forgotten so long as the Communion plate which he bestowed is still in use to attest his munificence. The family arms are visible upon the three pieces given by him: Az. on a bend arg. three torteaux.

"The connection of this family with the parish was not of long duration. The register records the burial of Mr. Thomas Emerson, probably a grandson, 31 Dec. 1624, and by letters patent, dated 2 Jan., 2 Car. A.D., 1627, the Sovereign gave his royal licence to Jane Emerson, widow, Thomas Emerson, Esq., son and heir of Thomas Emerson, Esq., deceased, and Nicholas Hawes, gent., to alienate the manor and free chapel to Michael Grigge, Esq., of London, and Mary, his wife, during their lives and the life of the longest liver of them, and afterwards to their heirs and assigns for ever, to be held of the King, his heirs and successors in capite p. servicea inde debita et de jura consueta. On the 15th of the same month,† by virtue of the letters patent, Michael Grigge and Mary, his wife, became the purchasers of the premises in question, and on the ensuing 12 Feb. (Hil. T. 2 Car. 1.), presented themselves in person and demanded seisin.‡

"On one later occasion only are the Emersons met with in connection with Hadley. A deed still extant, under the date of 30 August, 1626, 2 Car., and made between Thomas Emerson, of Monken Hadley, co. Middx., esq., and Jane Emerson, mother of the said Thomas Emerson, of the parish and county aforesaid, widow, *of the one part*, and Ely Tournor, of Hadley, aforesaid, clerk and minister of God's Word there, John Gale, Thomas Saddler, John Hawkins, Godfrey Maidwell, Robert Boucher, Francis Atkinson, of Monken Hadley, gentlemen; Thomas Fletcher, Thomas Prudden, Richard Gould, the elder, John Sage, the younger, Thomas Bigg, John Pierson and Thomas Huckle, of Monken Hadly, yeomen, *of the other part*, witnesses that Thomas and Jane Emerson, in consideration of £40 § paid to them by the said fourteen persons, bargain and sell all that messuage or tenement, with a garden, then in the tenure of William Bowman, to have and to hold the same for ever, upon trust, nevertheless to "ymploie all and every the anuall yssues and proffitts of all and singuler the said premisses to and for the comon good, benefitt and advantage of ye inhabitants of the said parish." Provision is made that so often as the number of Co-feoffees is reduced to six, the vacancies are to be supplied by the inhabitants, and the vendors constitute William Cattle, of Hadley, yeoman, their attorney to enter into and deliver up the premises to the Co-feoffees.

"In a report of the Commissioners of Inquiry concerning Charities, dated 23 Jan., 1823, it was found that the trust had been duly kept up agreeably to the provisions, that the premises had been demised in 1728 to Charles Poulton for 99 years from Michaelmas, 1719 at 40s. per ann., and that the lease having become vested,

* Witness Mr. Henry Coventry, of West Lodge. Supra., p. 26.

† The deed was enrolled 5 Feb. 2 Car.

‡ De Michaele Grigge and Uxore occasionatio ad ostendendum quo Titulo tenent Manerium de *Hadley*, in Comitatu Middlesesciæ. Hilarij Recorda, 2 Car. 1. Rotulo 227. Lord Treasurers Remembrancers of Exchequer. Memoranda. Hil. 2 Car. 1, No. 8 at Record Office.

§ Mention is frequently made in early times of the parish stock, which was probably the aggregate of divers legacies and benefactions. It is not unlikely that the purchase money was supplied from this source.

(a) In the possession of the late Francis Vere Hopegood, Esq.

in Andrew Hopegood, he surrendered the same on condition of receiving a new lease of 61 years from Lady Day, 1808, at an annual rent of £8. The premises consisted of a small house and garden abutting east and south on the premises of the said Andrew Hopegood, and formed the eastern portion of the present residence of E. H. Hay, Esq.,* who holds of the Hopegood family. In pursuance of a resolution of the Trustees made in April, 1809, the rent was applied to the purchase of coals for the church stove. It had previously been laid out in coals for the poor. The house was afterwards sold to meet the contribution required of Hadley towards the erection of the Barnet Union House, and this Charity, which had been known as *Emerson's*, thus came to an end.

"Mrs. Jane Emerson was buried at Hadley, 29 Feb., 1628,† and her son, Thomas Emerson, Esq., 30 Sep., 1631.‡ The grave had consequently closed over three generations, each bearing the same Christian and surname, within the short interval of seven years.

"Concerning Mr. Michael Griggis' tenure of the manor and patronage of the free chapel, nothing has come down to us. Neither have I been able to discover the date and circumstances of their next transfer. Clutterbuck, in mentioning the marriage of Richard Grigge, his daughter, to Richard Peacocke, Esq., of Finchley, lord of the manor of Totteridge, says that he was a London Alderman, but the name is not met with in the lists. Both he and his son-in-law were elected Governors of the Barnet Grammar School, 29 May, 1634. It was during his connection with Hadley that the country was convulsed by the Civil War, and its vicissitudes had affected the little village in the deprivation of Mr. Ely Tournor. The name occurs only once in the parish register, but that of South Mimms contains the marriage of his daughter Mary, 23 Dec., 1646, and Sir Richard Gamen, whom his brother-in-law, Richard Peacocke, under the will of 28 Feb., 1664, constituted

His widow Jane evidently died at St. Andrew's, Holborn, in 1628, and was taken to Monken Hadley and buried. And the Chancery Proceedings now give us the sad story of the scattering of these properties, and the children, as confirmed by the will of Thomas, the son, proved 1631.

There is a tradition in the United States that Thomas of Ipswich, Mass., and Thomas of Bradbury are identical. This is simply impossible as proved by the Chancery Proceeding quoted on the pedigree, which shows all the children were minors in 1624 (*vide* Pedigree). Professor B. K. Emerson is again very wrong in "spotting" Thomas, Junior, as Thomas of Ipswich. Neither do I know what became of William or John, that is if they left issue. I think this tradition must have arisen from a spurious pedigree in Burke, which suggested Thomas of Bradbury and the Market Cross as a relative of Ralf of Foxton, which there is not an atom of evidence to make probable, and indeed which, if Ralph of Shotton is the armiger, is absurd. Thomas of Bradbury's connection with Durham as steward, lord of the manor of Bradbury, etc., and erector of the Market Cross has puzzled a good many; but that there were three Thomas of Bradburys is now evident, and the pedigree clears the matter up. They were of the Southwark family. It is possible, however, that Thomas of Ipswich, Mass., had an ancestor who was connected with this family, but there is no *proof* of this.

Second son of William, citizen and bowyer.

William, senior, bequeaths to him ½ mess. in St. Michael's Hill, near Crooked Lane, and part of the Woolsack; Bermondsey, and his mother, Anne, leaves him £30.

In Rot. Lit. Claus., 22 Eliz., pt. 18 (1574), we find William, junior, citizen and bowyer of London, obtaining a house called "Bolers," in West Wickham, Co. Kent. The St. Saviour's Register describes this Will. as a chandler, and dying Aug. 16, 1597, leaving issue three sons, William, Peter and Richard, concerning whom I have no further record, nor have I his will, nor any Inq. P.M. regarding him.

Third son of William, citizen and bowyer.

Thomas inherits "The Axe" and 2 tents. adjoining; and from his mother plate. He is mentioned in Rot. Lit. Claus., 22 Eliz., pt. 13, with his mother, Anne as taking 1 mess. in Deptford and lands in Croydon Lane (Crooked Lane). In same records, 28 Eliz., pt. 7, 1586, he is described as of Furnival's Inn, and he buys a tent. in Dunstable, Co. Bedford, with lands for £80. In pt. 9, he is described as of Southwark again, *re* the same lands. In same, 29 Eliz., pt. 6, he buys a mess. in "Le Backside," next the "Three Tunnes." In the same, 37 Eliz., pt. 22, he and his wife Margaret sell all the tents. in Dunstable to Ordney, for £130. The St. Saviour's Register gives his marriage to Ann Robiant, Jan. 1580—1. They had one son Henry, bap. Feb. 15, 1581—2, and Anne dies 1582—3. Thomas then had a liaison

* Rector's Churchwarden since Easter, 1863, to the present time.

† 15 Nov. 1628. Admin. granted to John Emerson, son of Thomas Emerson, of Hadley, Esq., of goods unadministered by Jane, his relict, now also deceased.

25 Nov. 1628. Admin. granted to John Emerson, the son of Jane Emerson, widow, late of the parish of St. Andrew's, Holborn, deceased.

‡ 2 Dec. 1631. Admon. granted to Mary, relict of Thomas Emerson, of Ratcliff, in the parish of Stepney, co. Midd., Esq., deceased.

with Margaret Horneblowe, widow of the "Gilt Harte," and they had four illicit children, Thomas marrying Margaret evidently on his death-bed, for he was buried Jan. 28, 1595, at St. Saviour's. In an Inq. P.M., 38 Eliz., pt. 7, n. 163, we gather particulars of the Robiant property, including dates of marriage with Anne Robiant and Margaret Horneblowe. The Chancery Proceedings, Eliz, Ee. $\frac{3}{68}$, 1600, give us the rest of the history. Henry's grandfather William is spoken of and Thomas's properties in St. Michael's, near Crooked Lane, ½ Woolsack, lands in Deptford, and lands in Southwark and Essex inherited from the Robiants. John Lowe, gent., of Sevenoaks, is given as his guardian. His uncle Humphrey evidently "misplaced" the deeds and hence the suit. It seems the son Henry was sent to Cambridge, and made a mésalliance with one Norton, and for that reason the uncle claims to deprive him of his inheritance. However, Henry must have been compensated, for in the Close Rolls, 2 Jas. I., p. 9, Henry, then of Lambeth, buys for £83 10s. 0½d. Cook's Farm, in West Wickham, Co. Kent, and 70 acres of land. In 6 Jas. I., p. 45, n. 96, Henry, now of Warneham, Co. Sussex, s. and h. of Thomas, of Southwark, sells the Deptford property. In 16 Jas. I., p. 34, n. 10, Henry, again of South Lambeth, acknowledges a debt of £500. In 23 Jas., Rot. Claus., p. 9, Henry of Stockwell, in par. Lambeth, inherits the "Cock and Key" in St. Dunstan's, in the West Fleet Street, and sells it to J. Hopkins. In 1 Jas., E. $\frac{6}{76}$, Henry is spoken of as taking copyholds in Fauxhall (Vauxhall), 1610, of W. Easton, and his dau. Eliz. *m.* R. Painter. Henry's family is given in Chan. Pro., B. and A., Chas. I., E. $\frac{6}{106}$, 1630, who is then dead, viz., Mathew, Thomas, Henry, Humphrey, Will. and John, of South Lambeth, the last three being stated to be very poor. The elder sons must have inherited some property, for the eldest son Mathew, in 7 Chas. I., p. 27, n. 23, is described as of Streatham, Co. Surrey, gent., and then he buys the manor of Tooting Beck, properties in Seething Lane, London, and in Tower Street, All Hallows and All Saints, Barking, and the mansion of Colbrandes in Streatham. Mathew was baptized at St. Saviour's, 31 Oct., 1602. What became of the other children, or of Mathew himself, I have not traced. But his Barking property is referred to under Essex.

Fourth son of William, citizen and bowyer.

Humphrey, by his father's will, inherited the family house at Southwark and 2 tents. in St. Saviour's, and 1 mess., or backhouse, "the Wyndmill," also his "site, circuit and precinct" of the late parish church of St. Margaret's, in Southwark. From his mother £40. Humphrey was a vestryman and twice married; (1) Johan, by whom he had a large family—seven children, and (2) to Emma Berry, a widow, in 1598, by whom he had none. All these children and marriages are in the St. Saviour's Register. In Close Roll, 22 Eliz., p. 17, Humphrey and his wife Johan buy a mess. in Camberwell, and in Roll 39 Eliz., pt. 20, Humphrey acquires reversion of lands in Meastham als Merstham, Co. Surrey. Humphrey's will was proved 3 Dec., 1603. His wife is to have his house in "Dullege," and his nephew "Henry," if he keep to his agreement . . . The children seem poorly provided for.

Such is the brief outline of this wealthy family, many of whose descendants must be living to-day. Whether any record will ever be discovered proving their right to the arms allowed to the Lincoln family in 1634 is doubtful, but I cannot but think that William the bowyer was the cousin William of London mentioned by John Emerson, gent., of Folkingham, Co. Lincoln, in his will proved 1541. It must be noticed this family never used a crest to these arms, and were probably legitimate heirs to the coat.

I append a sheet pedigree compiled from various records, but chiefly from the St. Saviour's Register. Most probably John Emerson, the curate of Horsham and Rector of Shoreham, 1634, was an illicit son of Thomas and Margaret Horneblowe; but I have no proof. It is noteworthy that Henry, Thomas's only legitimate son, should not be recorded in the Cambridge graduates. Perhaps he never graduated, and hence the omission.

In Manning and Bray's "History of Surrey," Pt. II., p. 490, under Croydon Hundred, Morden, we get Richard Garth, Esq., Lord of Morden Manor, marrying Elizabeth Emerson, *sic.*

Ric. Garth, *ob.* Jan. 10, 1725, *æt.* 45. = Elizabeth Emerson, *ob.* 1776, *æt.* 77.

- Richard, b. 1714.
- Mary.
- Eliz. Garth, *ob.* Nov. 8, 1725, *æt.* 5.

Now in Hasted's "History of Kent," Farningham Church, we get William Emmerton, Esq., described as of Chipsted Manor (Surrey), marrying Eliz., dau. of Sir John Beale, Bart., and we get William's arms given as "on a bend or three lions passant," obviously a plagiarism of Ralf of Foxton's arms.

Since writing the above I have found a will which clears the matter up and shows that Eliz. Emerson who m. Ric. Garth, was not the dau. of William *Emmerton*, of Chipsted, and Elizabeth Beale, but the daughter of a William Emerson, of Kensington, "gent.," W.P. 1720.

William Emerson, Sen., = Jane.
of Kensington, W.P. 1720.

William, Jun. | Sedgewick. = | John. = | Eliz. = R. Garth. | Anne. = Goundry. | Jane. = Fry.

Besides these families we find in the Archdeaconry of Surrey no Emerson wills.

XXVIII.

Emersons of Co. Hampshire.

The only family I have been able to trace to this county is Ralf Em^{9}son, of Buryton. From his will the following short pedigree is compiled :—

Ralf Emerson. =
W.P. 1523.

Henry. | Tristram. | Anne. | Margt. | Will.

XXIX.

Emersons of Co. Sussex.

The curate at Horsham and the Rev. John Emerson, of Shoreham (1635), are the only two of the name that I can trace to Sussex up to 1700.

John Emerson, M.A., clerk, has a licence to officiate at the parish church of Shoreham and the chapel of Orford thereto annexed 25 July, 1635. Act Bk., 1629—42, fo. 17 (Shoreham and Croydon). The Sussex wills give us Anne, evidently his widow, admon. dated 1678.

XXX.

Emersons of Co. Somerset.

Some of the Gloucestershire branch lived at Bath Easton as already said, and Thomas Emerson, Esq. (of the Southwark family), takes Mr. Farewell's (of Holbrooke) place as Filacer.

XXXI.

Emersons of Co. Hereford.

"Richard Emerson buys Manor and Castle of Riccards, Castle Hereford, in 1648"* is the only meagre record of this county.

XXXII.

Other English Counties.

I have no record up to 1700 of any of the name.

XXXIII.

Emersons of Wales.

I have recorded in the Emersons of St. Bride's (London), "Mr. Edward Emerson goes to Wales."

XXXIV.

Emersons of Scotland.

Up to 1700 I have been unable to trace a single Emerson to this country, though I have had the Wills at P.R.O. searched by Rev. W. McLeod.

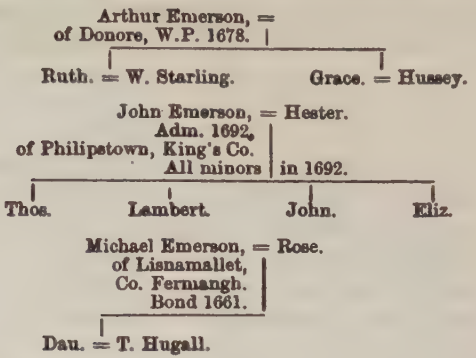
XXXV.

Emersons of Ireland.

Up to 1700 I find few Emersons in Ireland. Up to 1625 I have had the indexes of English that settled in Ireland searched with no result, and as the records are unindexed after

* Nich. Col. Her. Gen. and Top. I., 284.

that date I have not searched later. All the wills at the P.R.O., Dublin, and at Trinity Coll., Dublin, have been searched, and only three of the name appear, viz.—



And we know an Arthur Emerson, of Dublin, gent., was granted arms in 1692. So our knowledge of early Irish Emersons is very scanty, but probably most of the modern Irish Emersons are descended from one of the above-named families, notwithstanding some of the Irish family traditions.

Chapter V.

Modern Emerson Pedigrees arranged under Counties.

The following pedigrees and notes were received in answer to the following circular posted to all of the name in the United Kingdom and public services:—

The Nook, Oulton Broad, Lowestoft, 1896.

Dear Sir,—I am collecting materials for writing a history of the Emerson family, and venture to address you in the hope that you will lend your kindly aid so that the work may be as complete as possible. If you are so disposed, will you be good enough to tell me the following details:—(1) Your pedigree so far back as you can give it, with dates, if possible. (2) What county your branch originally came from. (3) If your name was always Emerson, or Emberson, or Emmerson, or if during your history your family took the name of Emerson, and if so, when? (4) Any distinguished members of your branch, distinguished in any way including athletics. (5) If any of your family went abroad, and if so, who, and at what dates, and where they went, and their ages when they went. (6) With whom have the women inter-married? (7) Do you claim any arms, and what, and on what grounds? Trusting to your kindness, believe me, dear sir, faithfully yours, P. H. Emerson, B.A., M.B. (Cantab.).

The compiler does not vouch for the accuracy of these pedigrees, they are printed as sent, merely having been arranged in order by him They are printed under the counties according to the directory addresses, *i.e.*, where the contributors lived in 1896. They will doubtless be useful to many to help trace their relatives or pedigrees should they wish to do so.

The total numbers printed at the end of each county merely show the number of separate addresses of the name printed in the directory referred to. These numbers must not be looked upon as accurate, but serve as a *rough* guide merely, for the reason that I find the directories not always accurate: persons dead or removed to other counties are still given at the old address; names are misspelled, two "m's" creeping into one "m" names. Then trade and private addresses are often given in the same town so that one person is counted twice, and in the London section probably three or four times, and so on. It will be seen Durham still heads the list as to numbers of Emersons, Yorkshire coming second, London and Middlesex of course being excluded. The author begs to thank most heartily every contributor to this section.

All the following counties have made no returns or contain no Emersons. Addresses taken from Kelly's Directories unless otherwise stated:—Wales, 1895, Emersons 2, no returns; Warwickshire, 1896, Emerson 1, no return; Huntingdonshire, 1894, none; Hampshire, 1895, none; Wiltshire, 1895, 1 Emmerson moved to Wincanton, Somerset (*q.v.*); Dorsetshire, 1895, none; Cornwall, 1893, none; Worcestershire, 1896, none; Derbyshire, 1895, Emersons 0, Emmersons 6, no returns; Hertfordshire, 1895, Emerson 1, no return; Oxfordshire, 1895, Emerson 1, Embersons 0, no return; Northampton, 1894, Emersons 0, Emmersons 2, no returns; Lancashire, 1892, Emersons 17, Emmersons 10, Embersons 0, including Liverpool, 1896, and Manchester, 1896, 2 returns; Cumberland, 1894, Emmersons 6, no returns; Westmoreland, 1894, none; Devonshire, 1893, Emersons 2, no returns; Hereford, 1895, Emerson 1, no return; Shropshire, 1895, none; Colonial Office, 1896, 1, Nova Scotia, no

return; Army List, 1896, Emersons 5; Navy List, 1896, Emmerson 1, no return; Medical Register 1896, Emersons 7, Emmersons 2, Embersons 0; Imperial Calendar, 1896, Emersons 0, Emmerson 1, Emberson 1, no returns. Thirty-two circulars were returned through the dead letter office marked "gone," or "deceased," or "left two to seven years ago," or "not known."

I.

Co. Northumberland.

(1) *John George Emerson, of Orchard Cottages, Hexham.*

George Emerson, b. 1798 in Weardale, Co. Durham, a bookbinder, m. Ann Johnson. Served 21 years in the army and went through the Peninsular War. Retired *circa* 1846—7 and settled at Hexham, an army pensioner with two medals. His father died and was buried at Sunderland after many years spent in the service of the Earl of Durham. George Emerson married a second time "when abroad" and had a second family (*vide infra*). George Emerson died and was buried at Gateshead. George Emerson had a brother living in Weardale, name unknown. The family has always spelt the name Emerson and claim no arms.

(i.) George Emerson and Ann Johnson had issue:—(1) John, b. Sept. 22, 1821 (*vide infra*). (2) Ann m. Ogg and went abroad, whereabouts not known. (3) Maria m. W. Arkle. Married secondly and had issue:—(1) George, a mariner. (2) William, of Gateshead. (3) Fenwick, of Blaydon-on-Tyne. (4) Robert, of London. (5) A daughter.

(ii.) John Emerson, b. Sept. 22, 1821, m. Hannah Eddy, John *ob.* May 24, 1876, and buried at Hexham. They had issue:—(1) Thomas, of Sunderland, b. Oct. 1840, m. Agnes Beatley, Oct. 17, 1866. They have issue Agnes Mary Hannah, b. Dec. 13, 1867. (2) John George, b. Feb. 15, 1842 (*vide infra*). (3) Annie m. W. Corbett; Annie *ob.*? (4) Jane m. Marshall. (5) Mary m. T. Clemitson. (6) Hannah Maria m. G. Hunter. (7) John William, of Newcastle. (8) Elizabeth.

(iii.) John George Emerson, b. Feb. 15, 1842, m. Annie Cowing, Nov. 24, 1866. They have issue:—(1) John, b. Sept. 10, 1867. (2) Nevison, b. Jan. 8, 1869, m. Agnes Holmes, 1894, and lives at Elswick. (3) Mary Hannah, b. Dec. 28, 1870. (4) George Edward, b. Mar. 7, 1873. (5) Anthony, b. Jan. 18, 1875. (6) Thomas William, b. Sept. 22, 1877. (7) Arthur Eddy, b. Feb. 28, 1880. (8) Joseph Septimus, b. June 27, 1882. (9) Annie Cowing, b. Sept. 22, 1888. All the above except George, of Weardale, born at Hexham. Signed, John George Emerson *per* Anthony Emerson, Hexham, July 7, 1896.

(2) *Eleanor Emerson, 1, Ravensdowne, Berwick-on-Tweed.*

Joseph Emerson migrated to Berwick from London *circa* 1806, and married Mrs. Joan Ross, *née* Hall, a widow with one daughter. He was a man of means. A miniature of him is in his grand-daughter's possession. His brother was a coffee planter in Demerara. Joseph died Sept. 4, 1819, *æt.* 57.

(i.) Joseph Emerson and Mrs. Joan Ross, who died June 26, 1830, *æt.* 57, had issue:—(1) William, went to Demerara to his uncle and died there June 19, 1820, *æt.* 15. (2) Charles James (*vide infra*), *ob.* Feb. 22, 1854, *æt.* 42. (3) Joseph, *ob.* May 11, 1824, *æt.* 22. (4) Mary, *ob.* March 1, 1809, *æt.* 18 months.

(ii.) Charles James Emerson, son of Joseph. Went to London *circa* 1843 to his cousin Fred. Emerson, a speculator. He had another cousin living in London who married a Mr. Blunt; they had one son. She was left a widow and then married secondly a Mr. Taylor, of London, and had two daughters by him. Charles James also had a cousin living in Liverpool named Edward Story (?). Charles James was, in 1843, possessed of considerable means, money and houses, but lost all in five years of speculation and going bond for people and lending money to his brother-in-law, who failed. Miss Emerson possesses his portrait painted by Mr. Sinclair. In 1848 he returned to Berwick as a clerk in his father-in-law's office. Charles James m. Elizabeth Lough, a dau. of a merchant of Berwick, and cousin to the late Admiral Hall. Elizabeth *ob.* Jan. 2, 1882, *æt.* 69. They had issue:—(1) Charles James, Jun., b. 1842, lost at sea in the *Ontario* Oct. 22, 1857, *æt.* 15. (2) Elizabeth, b. Nov. 23, 1843, *ob.* Nov. 3, 1845, in London, *æt.* 20 months. (3) Eleanor (*vide infra*), b. Dec. 27, 1844. (4) Joseph, b. Dec. 11, 1845, *ob.* July 12, 1849, *æt.* 3½. (5) Joanna Eliza, b. April 27, 1844, living at Berwick.

(iii.) Eleanor, now living at Berwick, spinster. The family has always spelt the name Emerson and claims no arms. Signed, Eleanor Emerson, Berwick-on-Tweed, June 29, 1896.

(3) *George W. Emmerson, Earsdon, Newcastle-on-Tyne.*

(i.) Grandfather (name unknown) came from near Darlington and was in the leather trade. Died *æt.* 96. Had a brother Stephen in the glove trade. The brother's trade mark was two lions rampant surmounted by a chanticleer.

(ii.) (1) Father (name unknown), *ob.* 1834, *æt.* 37. (2) Harriet, m. R. Taylor, Master in the Tyne Steamship Co. (3) Louisa, m. (1) J. Finlay, Master Mariner, (2) J. Bland, of Chester-le-Street.

(iii.) George W. Emmerson, son of ?, b. 1848, at Newcastle. Traditions that an ancestor started a fishing trade "on the coast" that grew to a village, and that a relative made a mark as an animal painter, having studied in Rome. Has always spelt his name Emmerson. Signed, Geo. W. Emmerson, Earsdon, July 4, 1896.

Possibly related to H. H. Emmerson, artist, born at Chester-le-Street (*q.v.*).—P. H. E.

(4) *J. G. Emerson, Newcastle-on-Tyne.*

(i.) John Emerson, b. July 16, 1825, at Westgate, Weardale. Went to Ballarat with his wife 1854 and returned to Weardale 1857. Moved to Newcastle in 1865, where he died Oct. 3, 1892, *æt.* 67. He left issue:—(1) John George. (2) William. (3) Sarah Anne. (4) Mary, m. William Stuart, of Winlaton. (5) Eliza, m. T. Mackay. All living. Name always spelt Emerson and claims no arms. Signed, J. G. Emerson, Newcastle-on-Tyne, July 23, 1896.

Kelly's Directory, 1897.—Emersons 6, Emmersons 19, Embersons 0 = 25.

II.

Co. Durham.

(1) *Harriet Emmerson, Darlington.*

(i.) William, who had two brothers Joshua and Robert, all farmers. Robert went abroad and was lost sight of; Joshua lived at Hurworth with his family, the last of them dying lately; William had issue ten children, all born at Ellerton-on-Swale, Yorks.:—(1) Thomas. (2) Robert, left issue William, living. (3) William. (4) John (*vide infra*). (5) Jane, m. Tilby, of London, had issue Jane, spinster. (6) Mary. (7) Elizabeth. (8) Eliza. (9) Harriet. (10) ?

(ii.) John, *ob.* 1895, *æt.* 78. Had issue:—(1) Harriet (the contributor). (2) Another daughter. Out of this family the only male living is William, s. of Robert (*vide supra*). Men noted for physique and strength. Always spelt Emmerson, claims no arms. Signed, Harriet Emmerson, Darlington, July 17, 1896.

(2) *T. W. Emerson, Sough Shields, Dadry Shields, Weardale.*

(i.) John Emerson, of Wham (¾ mile from Wearhead), b. at Rushnear, Heathery Cleugh (Weardale), July 16, 1778. Had four brothers and three sisters—Thomas, Joseph, Mathew and Ralf, Mary, Nancy and Jane; one of these girls m. Peart and went abroad 70 years ago. John Emerson had issue:—(1) Joseph, of Wham (*vide infra*). (2) John, killed in a mine, *circa* 1876. (3) Ralph, died *circa* 1876. (4) Ann, m. (1) Lawes (2) Walton.

(ii.) Joseph Emerson, of Wham, b. Dec. 25, 1812, had issue:—

(iii.) Thomas Wilson (the contributor), b. May 19, 1858. Name always spelt Emerson, claims no arms. Signed, T. W. Emerson, Dadry Shields, July 4, 1896.

(3) *Richard Emerson, of Frosterley (Weardale).*

(i.) George Emerson, b. in Weardale, *ob. circa* 1847, m. Jane Dawson. They had issue:—

(ii.) (1) Joshua Emerson, b. Mar. 16, 1802, *ob.* May 6, 1852, *æt.* 50, had issue. (2) Ann, m. Joseph Brunskill. (3) Jane, m. Thomas Furnace (Westgate). (4) Isabella, m. John Hutchinson (Frosterley).

(iii.) Joshua Emerson had issue:—(1) Hall William, b. Feb. 6, 1826, *ob.* 1860. (2) George, b. Feb. 25, 1828, *ob.* 1856. (3) Richard, b. Mar. 6, 1830. (4) Mary Ann, b. Oct. 11, 1832, *ob.* 1833. (5) Jane, b. May 28, 1834, m. James Walton. (6) Mary Ann, b. May 18, 1836, *ob.* 1853, spinster. (7) Ellen, b. Sept. 26, 1838, *ob.* Mar. 21, 1856, spinster. (8) Phœbe, b. April 26, 1840, *ob.* 1890, m. (1) William Smith, who died, (2) Thomas Mitchell, who went to America alone, but nothing was ever heard of him again. Has always spelt the name Emerson and claims no arms. Signed, R. Emerson, Frosterley, June 26, 1896.

(4) *H. W. Emerson, of Seaham Harbour.*

(i.) Cuthbert Emerson, one of the first Improvement Commissioners for West Hartlepool after its foundation by Ralph Ward Jackson, Esq. Had issue:—

(ii.) H. W. (the contributor). The family came from Weardale and has always spelt the name Emerson. His brother-in-law, John Emerson, went to America *circa* 1876 but has not since been heard of. Has heard his father say the family bore arms and has seen them, but does not claim arms himself and knows nothing beyond what he heard from his father on the matter. Signed, H. W. Emerson, Seaham Harbour, June 27, 1896.

(5) *A. Emmerson, Sunderland.*

Refers to a relative, Hannah Emmerson, of Skelton, Yorks, *æt.* 90. Assume contributor came originally from Yorkshire. He says some names in Skelton spelt Emerson. Claims no arms and gives no personal information. Referee did not reply.—P.H.E.

(6) *Charles Emmerson, Darlington.*

(i.) John Robinson Emmerson, of Durham City, who died there *circa* 1856. He left issue:—

(ii.) Contributor's father, died at Putney, 1896, *æt.* 86. Sister, m. Reed, of Putney. He left issue:—(1) Charles Emmerson (the contributor). Has been to sea all his life and knows little. Signed, C. Emmerson, Darlington, 25 June, 1896.

Note.—This contributor referred me to his aunt, Mrs. Reed, but I got no information from her.—P. H. E.

(7) *William Emerson, Wellhope, Weardale.*

(i.) Thomas, b. at Wellhope, lived over 80 years. Agent for W. W. Beaumont's mines for nearly 40 years. John, a schoolmaster and died young. Mary, m. Ruddock, Isabella, m. three times, both went to Sunderland and Jarrow and lived over 80 years. Margaret, m. Peart, of Weardale, and lived over 80 years. Thomas had issue:—(1) John, died S.P., land-owner. (2) Thomas, m., land-owner. (3) Robert, still living, *æt.* 77, at Corn Rigg, Weardale. (4) Joseph, land-owner. (5) Titus, Vicar of Allendale for over 20 years. (6) Christopher, land-owner. (7) Jonathan, schoolmaster at Hurworth-on-Tees. (8) Margaret, m. an Emerson. (9) Mary, m. A. Watson. (10) Elizabeth, m. A. Batey.

(ii.) Thomas, Jun., m. and left issue:—(1) William (the contributor). Five girls—one m. A. Whitfield, Esther, m. Joseph Emerson, of West Blackdene, and one a Richardson. Have always spelt the name Emerson; claim no arms. Signed, William Emerson, Wellhope, Wearhead, Oct., 1896.

Kelly's Directory, 1897—Emersons 35, Emmersons 38, Embersons 0 = 73.

III.

Co. Yorkshire.

(1) *John James Emerson, Esq., LL.D. (Cantab.), J.P., of Easby Hall, Co. Yorks.*

(i.) John Emerson left issue:—

(ii.) John Emmerson, of Eston (Co. Yorks). He was surety in £500 for Sir James Pennyman when tried for high treason. He married at Marton-in-Cleveland, Oct. 16, 1735 (by licence), Susanna Gill. He was buried at Marton Nov. 27, 1783, and left issue:—(1) James, b. Aug. 15, 1736, at Ormesby. He was succeeded by his son at Ormesby. (2) Mary, bap. at Marton Dec. 7, 1738, m. at Ormesby, June 3, 1760, Captain Thos. Burdon, of Stainton Grange.

(iii.) James Emmerson,* b. Aug. 15, 1736, m. at Ormesby, May 14, 1759, Dorcas Mewburn, and bur. at Marton Church, April 9, 1822, leaving issue:—(1) John, bap. at Marton, Jan. 5, 1760, D.S.P. (2) James, bap. at Marton, Sept. 28, 1764.

(iv.) James Emerson, bap. Sept. 28, 1764, of Easby Hall, Co. York, and Sarah Grange, left issue:—(1) James Emerson, b. Sept. 3, 1824.

(v.) James Emerson, b. at Marton, Sept. 3, 1824, of Easby Hall and Manor House, Deighton, J.P. North Riding, m. July, 1846, Ann Dorothy, only child of Eleazer Biggins; bur. at Marton, Jan. 15, 1892, and left issue:—(1) John James, Esq., of Easby Hall (*vide infra*). (2) Eleazer Biggins, Esq., of Whorlton, Lord of the Manor and Patron J.P. North Riding; B.A. Trin. Hall, Camb., b. Sept., 1848, m. 13 June, 1876, eldest dau. of J. M. McKean, and has issue two daughters—Ethel Mary Alice Maud and Constance Ann Dorothy. (3) Charles Arthur, gent., of Deighton, Lord of the Manor and Lay Rector, b. 6 Mar., 1857.

(vi.) John James Emerson, Esq., LL.D. (Cantab.), J.P., of Easby Hall and Tollesby Hall, Marton, Co. York., Barrister-at-Law of the Inner Temple, J.P. for North Riding, Lord of the

* Possibly named after Sir James Pennyman.—P. H. E.

EASBY HALL.

Manors of Easby, Kirby-in-Cleveland and Tollesby, b. May 21, 1847, m. 20 April, 1876, Frances Mary Eleanor, eldest dau. of Col. Melville Francis Evatt, Bengal Staff Corps, and has issue :—

(vii.) James John, b. 4 May, 1878.

LIST OF DOCUMENTS IN POSSESSION OF J. J. EMERSON.

April 1, 1784. Appointment by Archbishops' Court of James Emerson, of Marton, "Administrator of all good, etc., of John Emerson, late of the parish of Middlesbro' (Linthorpe)."

Probate of will of James Emerson, Jany., 1804, leaving to his wife Dorcas plate, etc., for life. To his son John his property at Marton, Middlesbro', etc., and at Sedgefield, in the Co. of Durham, and to his son James lands at Dromanby, Stokesley, etc.

May 5, 1759. Settlement on the marriage of James Emerson and Dorcas Mewburn, made between John Emerson, of Ormesby, James, son and heir apparent of the sd. John by Susanna his wife, and several Mewburns.

June 3, 1760. Settlement on marriage of Thos. Burdon and Mary Emerson, between several Burdons and John Emerson, of Ormesby, and Mary, only daughter of the sd. John and Susanna his wife.

There are some leases, the earliest is March 5, 1746, made between Sir Wm. Pennyman and John Emerson.

A certificate that Rob. Hobkirk sold to John Emerson a pew near the Chancel of Marton Church, Feb. 5, 1745. Witnesses, Chas. Barker, Philip Kitchon, Vicar of Marton.

A bond May 10, 1756, of Rob. Campion for £200 to John Emerson, of Ormesby.

A lease dated May 4, 1759, by which John Emerson and James Emerson, his son and heir, let property at Stokesley to Geo. Mewburn.

Also wills of his father, grandfather and his brother John.

The first two Johns on the pedigree are taken from the Copyholders' Surrenders of Durham, in the Exchequer Office, Durham (*vide* Appendix). It is at present uncertain whence the first John (of 1714), who bought Morland House, came. The last three generations of the family have been registered at the College and will be found under *armorial families* (*q.v.*).

1735, 10 ber. 16. Mr. John Emmerson of ye parish of Eston and Mrs. Susanna Gill of ye sd. parish were married by vertue of a Licence had of the Rev. Mr. Bradley, of Yarm.

I, George Wilberforce Trevor, Incumbent of Marton-in-Cleveland, hereby certify that the above is a true copy from the Register of the parish of Marton-in-Cleveland, made this 27th of December, 1886. G. W. TREVOR.

The following short account shows that the love of sport and athletics has shown itself in members of the family within the last 116 years.

James Emerson, Dr. Emerson's great grandfather, was very fond of horse-racing, and together with Captain Thos. Burdon (who married his sister) kept a fairly good stud of race-horses and won some, at that time, important races, as shown by the following extract from an old book on Racing at York and Doncaster :—

York Race Meeting, Aug. 19, 1780. "His Majesty's Hundred Guineas," won by Duchess, the property of Capt. Burdon and Mr. J. Emerson.

York Race Meeting, Aug. 23, 1780. "The Great Subscription Stakes," won by Duchess, etc.

Doncaster Race Meeting, Sept. 27, 1780. "The Doncaster Cup," won by Duchess, etc.

And at the same Meeting the next day, Sept. 28, Duchess also won "A Plate of £100."

So much for Duchess. She was a b.m., 5 yrs. old, by Le Sang out of Calliope by Slouch. It is also stated of her that she had previously won at York, Aug. 25, 1779, a "Sweepstakes of 800 guineas," for 4 year olds.

Doncaster Race Meeting, Sept. 25, 1780. "A Plate" was won by Mr. Emerson's b.g. Wonderful by Young Match'em.

DONCASTER CUP, 1780.
Gold Cup, standing 20 inches, the lid holding a bottle of wine, won by Duchess, the property of Capt. Burdon and Mr. Emerson.

York Meeting, Aug. 21, 1780. "His Majestie's Hundred Guineas" for 6 year olds was won by Capt. Burdon and Mr. Emerson's Orpheus. At the same Meeting three days later, Aug. 24, Orpheus won "The Great Subscription."

Orpheus was brother to Duchess, stood 15 hands 3 inches high, was after racing used as a stallion and was sire of Ticket, Touchstone, Postboy, Toothdrawer, Enchanter, etc., etc. Orpheus died at their stables in 1803, aged 29 years.

Besides these many more races were won by them. Dr. Emerson has heard that one horse won these two sportsmen in stakes, etc., no less than £30,000. I surmise that Duchess

was the one. She was to the fore again in 1781, when at York she won "The Great Subscription Stakes," 4 miles. Appended is a full list of wins.

RACES WON BY JAMES EMERSON AND HIS BROTHER-IN-LAW BETWEEN 1780—1790.

Duchess won 20 races, including "Doncaster Cup," "His Majesty King Geo. III.'s Plate," 4 times, at York, Newcastle, Carlisle and Edinburgh, and "The Great Subscription," at York, twice, £800 and £277. Orpheus won 6 races, including "His Majestie's Plate," at York, and "The Great Subscription," also at York. Wonderful won 8 races, including "His Majestie's Plate" twice, at Newcastle and Carlisle. B.F. by Picture won 8 races. Ticket won 6 races, including "His Majestie's Plate,"

A Coursing Cup won by Mr. Emerson's "Nettle," in 1774.

Old Sporting Guns and Pistol belonging to Dr. J. J. Emerson's grandfather and great grandfather.

[Flint lock guns. The eldest gun has a barrel 44 inches long and engraved steel over the lock and steel ornamentation let into the stock, the wood is also carved and reaches to the muzzle. The pistol is 13 inches long, with brass barrel.]

at Nottingham. Tickler won 4 races, including "H.R.H. The Prince of Wales' Plate," at Stockbridge. Frolic won 1 race. Omen won 3 races, including a "Match for 200 guineas." Harlequin won 1 race, a "Match for 200 guineas." Bald Charlotte won 3 races, including "The City Plate," Salisbury. Venus, a pony, won 1 race, "Match for 100 guineas," at Epsom. Royal Oak won 1 race. B.F. by Orpheus won 2 races. Czarina won 1 race, "Match for 100 guineas" Mr. Emerson's Gr.G. won 1 race, Sweeps. of £25 each, gentlemen riders, at Epsom. Whitelegs won 1 race, "County Members' Plate," Durham. Ch.F. by Baron Bauke won 1 race. Miss Jupiter won 1 race. Centaur won 1 race. Making a total of 65 wins, including "The Doncaster Cup," "His Majestie's Plate," 8 times, "Prince of Wales' Plate," "City Plate," Salisbury, and "County Members' Plate," at Durham, etc., etc.

J. J. EMERSON, Esq., LL.D. (Cantab.), J.P.
[1897.]

We now pass to the next generation, Dr. Emerson's grandfather James, and his brother John. "John still

TOLLESBY HALL.
The property of J. J. Emerson, Esq., LL.D.
Seat of E. B. Emerson, Esq.

stuck to racing and early in this century won a *good stake at Newcastle Races.* James took up greyhound coursing and kept a number of greyhounds, for pleasure only I believe, he did not enter for stakes. (I should here remark that I have an old coursing cup won by this James' father in 1772.)" He was also fond of shooting and Dr. J. J. Emerson has an old flint-lock gun, single barrel, with which he shot game.

Now for Dr. Emerson's father. He was a thorough sportsman, fond of coursing, hunting and shooting. In his younger days he kept between 30 and 40 greyhounds, simply for coursing for pleasure. Latterly shooting was a favourite sport, and he was undoubtedly an excellent shot. He played a good game at billiards and a very good hand at whist.

Next as regards present generation.

John James (Dr. Emerson himself) played in the Cricket Eleven of his School (Shrewsbury) in seasons of 1864—5—6, also in the Football Team for seasons 1863—4, 1864—5 and 1865—6, he and his brother both being among the few who succeed in obtaining the "double blue." In the sports, 1864, Dr. Emerson won the 100 yards. On going up to Cambridge he rowed in his first year in his College 2nd boat, which during the races went up two places, from 10th to 8th, on the river. He gave up rowing and frequently played for his College (Trinity Hall) at Cricket. He took honours in Law and proceeded to the Bar at the Inner Temple without further examination.

C. A. Emerson, Ar.,
of Deighton Manor House, Northallerton.

His brother, E. B. Emerson, was also at Shrewsbury and played in the Eleven in 1866—7, and also in the Football Team in 1865—6 and 1866—7. In the sports he won the high jump and long jump. At Trinity Hall, Camb., he rowed in the 1st boat two years, 1869 and 1870, the boat being 4th on the river, and his name was sent in by his College Captain for the "'Varsity" trial Eight, but he declined to row. E. B. Emerson and three 'Varsity friends won the four-oared race at Durham Regatta, 1870, and in 1871 after he left Cambridge, he, with M. B. Dodds, won the "Ladies' Plate," and gold medals, at Durham Regatta for pairs.

His youngest brother, C. A. Emerson, was able to hold an Enfield rifle by the muzzle out at arms length, a feat which comparatively few men can do.

Deighton Manor House.
The property of C. A. Emerson, Ar.

Cleveland Gun Club.
(75 guinea Challenge Cup.)
Held by E. B. Emerson, Esq., in 1885.

Dr. Emerson's brothers and himself and his son, too, have the reputation of all being first-rate game shots. Dr. Emerson's brother, E. B., the only one of them who ever did any pigeon

J. J. Emerson, 1897.
(Trinity Hall, Cantab.)
Son of J. J. Emerson, Esq., LL.D.

shooting, won several silver cups and innumerable stakes, and at one time held the 75 guinea Challenge Cup of the Cleveland (Yorkshire) Gun Club.

Dr. Emerson's son has a House Pot which he won at Eton for 100 yards race at the age of 14, and was a favourite for Lower Boys' School 100 yards, when he had an accident at football.

* (2) *T. R. Pollite Emerson, Manchester.*

Referred to brother of Southport, who did not reply.—P. H. E.

(3) *John Emerson, Manchester.*

(i.) John Emerson, freeman of the City of Chester.

(ii.) John Emerson (the contributor), b. June 8, 1854, at Chester, and a freeman thereof. Grandfather came from Yorkshire. Claims no arms. Signed, John Emerson, Manchester, July, 1896.

(4) *George E. Emerson, Halifax.*

(i.) Thomas Emerson, b. 1780—90, at Little Steeping, near Spilsby, Co. Line. He had issue:—

(ii.) Thomas Simpson Emerson, m Mary Emerson, dau. of above. Came to Halifax from Lincolnshire, 1866. Had issue:—

(iii.) George E. (the contributor). Always spelt the name Emerson; no arms. Signed, G. E. Emerson, July 7, 1896.

(5) *Isabella Emmerson, Knaresboro'.*

Her husband, William, came from Ireland and emigrated to America 44 years, with two sons, John, now aged 51 or 52, and William, now aged 49 or 50, leaving his wife and one son Robert, now living (*æt.* 45), in England. Her husband had two sisters in America. Nothing has been heard of her husband or sons since they left. Always spelt the name Emmerson; no arms. Signed, Isabella Emmerson, Knaresboro', June 29, 1896.

(6) *George Emerson, Eastoft, Goole.*

(i.) Thomas Emerson, a flax merchant of Epworth, Co. Lincoln. He left issue:—

(ii.) George Emerson. A flax merchant at Epworth, living 1896, *æt.* 80. When flax failed in 1860, he too failed. He has issue:—(1) Eli, in the army, served 12 years in Coldstream Guards, and 11 years in 4th Co. East Surrey Regt., now at Kingston-on-Thames. He is a Quartermaster-Sergeant. (2) William, in flax trade at Garthorpe, Co. Lincoln. (3) Young, Inspector of M. S. and L. Railway Co., at Crowle, Co. Lincoln. (4) Thomas, dead. (5) George (the contributor), b. at Epworth, Co. Lincoln, now aged 50, m. (1) — Halkon, of Luddington, and had issue three children by her, viz., Thos., Henry, Arthur, m. Alice Ann, *ob.* 1895, *æt.* 22, and Ruth by second wife. Has six cousins in Indianapolis, U.S.A., named Clarke. Name has always been spelt Emerson. Claims no arms. Signed, George Emerson, Eastoft, Goole, July, 1896.

(7) *William Emmerson, Robin Hood's Bay.*

(i.) Great-grandfather lived at Thorney Brow, in Fylingdale Parish, Co. York, and m. Maulam (? Malome.—P. H. E.), a prosperous farmer.

(ii.) Grandfather of the same place m. Brown, relatives at Stentondale, Co. York. An uncle lives there to-day.

(iii.) Father lived at Spring Farm, Stentondale. Some of his relatives went to West Canada years ago. He had 15 sons and daughters, only four of them living now (1896).

(iv.) William (the contributor), master of S.S. *Darenth*, writing from Stockholm. Has a brother George at sea. Is married and lives at Robin Hood's Bay. Always spelt name Emmerson; no arms. Signed, William Emmerson, S.S. *Darenth*, Stockholm, Aug. 6, 1896.

(8) *H. B. Emerson, Leeds.*

Has applied to his sister at Manchester, *æt.* 80, but I never received any result.—P. H. E.

* These two Emersons have been included in error under Co. York, they should have been under Co. Lancaster.

(9) *John Emerson, Saltaire, Shipley, Yorks.*
(*Vide* Dr. Emerson, Wantage, Berks.)

(i.) Thomas, b. Annalion, Co. Fermanagh, Ireland. Had issue:—(1) John, b. at same place, m. Sharpe, b. Killyclare, Cootehill, Co. Cavan. (2) Thomas, went to Australia, 1830—40. (3 and 4) two girls, married. John had issue:—(1) John (the contributor), and others. *Vide* Dr. Emerson, of Wantage, Berks. Tradition says they went to Ireland from England in Cromwell's time. Has a brother James Sharp Emerson, living in Washington, D.C., with mother. Always spelt the name Emerson. Claims no arms, but has heard his father speak of them. Signed, John Emerson, Saltaire, July 3, 1896.

Kelly, Co. Yorks., Hull and Leeds, 1897.—Emersons 24, Emmersons 48, Embersons 0 = 72.

IV.

Co. Cheshire.

(1) *H. G. Emmerson, of Heaton Norris.*

"To answer your questions in full would be rather difficult, as we have not at any time attempted to thoroughly trace our pedigree. I, myself, am a nephew of the late John Thomas Emmerson, C.M.G., of Peover, Knutsford, Cheshire, his brother, my father, the late Joshua Emmerson, having died at the age of 33, in the year 1862, at Stockport, leaving two sons, myself and John Thomas Emmerson, now deceased. The above, my uncle and father, were the sons of the late Joshua and Mary Emmerson, of Durham. In St. Hildas Church, West Hartlepool, the east window, consisting of seven separate windows, was erected by the aforesaid John Thomas Emmerson, to the memory of his mother, Mary Emmerson, the inscription at the foot reading: 'These seven windows were erected in affectionate remembrance of Mary Emmerson, of Hartlepool, by her son John Thomas Emmerson, of Peover Superior, Knutsford, in the County of Chester.' In the chancel is placed a tablet, the inscription on the face reading, 'To the memory of Joshua Emmerson, of Durham, who died 22 Aug., 1843, aged 53 years; also Mary, his wife, born at Hartlepool, 20 Dec., 1795, died 20 Dec., 1846, erected in affectionate remembrance by their son John Thomas Emmerson.' Further than this we have not tried to trace, but there is not the slightest doubt that the Emersons who lived at Hill Close House (which I believe is close to Darlington) were our ancestors. After the death of Henry Emerson, in 1689, the estates passed to the Richardsons, a family who were known to be our relations. Our branch of the Emmerson family appear to have left Hartlepool for Stockport about 1845, where the J. T. Emmerson, in fact both of them, but the former principally, became associated with an engineering works, under the style of 'Emmerson, Murgatroyd & Co., Ltd.' They were very successful and executed many Government contracts, including Floating Docks at Bombay and Malta, also the famous Anderton Lift over the River Weaver, at Northwich, will also be an everlasting remembrance of the firm. However, after the death of Mr. Emmerson, which occurred at Peover, on the 15th Sept., 1883, the firm wound up. He was interred at Lower Peover Church, and his widow erected a window to his memory in the same church. They had issue, one son who died in infancy.

"Durham is our native county, our family having resided at Long Elveat, in the City of Durham during the latter part of the last century, and afterwards at West Hartlepool.

"None of our family appear to have distinguished themselves, excepting the J. T. Emmerson above referred to, who was vested with the order of C.M.G., about the year 1880—81. He was also a magistrate for the County of Cheshire, and was one of the originators of the 4th Volunteer Battalion Cheshire Regiment, of which he was Captain.

"Our name appears to have always been spelt as Emmerson. There only appears to have been one marriage connected with the family, to my knowledge, on the feminine side, a sister of the above J. T. Emmerson, who married a gentleman of the name of Mutter, and now resides in Liverpool.

"None of the family appear to have been abroad except for business purposes. No arms claimed." Signed, H. G. Emmerson, Heaton Norris, 14 July, 1896.

(2) *Elizabeth Emerson, of Chester, Widow.*

Married James Emerson, a professional cricketer. Her husband started to go abroad, but the wreck of the *Royal Charter* turned his purpose. James and Elizabeth have a son. Her

husband had relatives at Grimsby (Joseph), and Lincoln. Her husband's father m. Mrs. Briggs, of Lincoln, and his brothers, William and Thomas, lived at Lincoln. Her husband had relatives at Hull and Lowestoft who were well off. Her father-in-law was a cattle dealer and so was his son. The father-in-law retired and bought a brewery outside of Lincoln. No arms. Signed, Eliz. Emerson, Chester, July 22, 1896.

(3) *L. Emerson, New Brighton, Widow.*

Widow of William Emerson, a native of Cumberland, *ob.* 1890, *æt.* 50, who was the son of William, of Calbeck, Cumberland. William, Jun., and L. had issue:—(1) Annie. (2) Mary, m. Ray, *æt.* 27. (3) James Taggart, *æt.* 25. (4) Jane Lydia, *æt.* 18. (5) Katie Worlidge, *æt.* 17. Claims no arms. Signed, L. Emerson, New Brighton, June 30, 1896.

(4) *David Emmerson, Birkenhead.*

(i.) William Emmerson, b. in Canoby, Dumfriesshire, 1811, *ob.* in Ayrshire, 28 Oct., 1880. He had three brothers, Robert, John and George. Robert and John went to the United States at the time of the Civil War and have not since been heard of. George died in Canoby and left a family there. William had issue:—(1) David. (2) A brother living at Stratsbury, on the Hudson U.S.A.; since he went to U.S.A. he spells his name "Emerson." (3) Sister, m. Gillis. (4) Sister, m. Barbour; a widow. (5) Sister, m. Kreachney; a widow. (6) Sister, m. Marshall; a widow.

(ii.) David (the contributor), b. in Stirlingshire, 23 Jan., 1846. Has issue three sons and three daughters, all living. No arms. Signed, David Emmerson, July 10, 1896.

(5) *John Moody Emerson, of West Kirby, Cheshire.*

Engineer. For pedigree and biographical notices and portraits *vide* Emersons of Holkham and Norwich, Co. Norfolk. I have to thank Mr. Emerson, too, for kindly sending me abstracts of all Emersons in the Holkham Register to date (*vide* Appendix).

Kelly's Directory, 1896.—Emersons 10, Emmersons 4, Embersons 0 = 14.

V.

Co. Lincoln.

(1) *Henry Emerson, of Theddlethorpe, Co. Lincoln.*

(i.) Richard Emerson, *ob.* at South Somercotes, Co. Lincoln, m. Elizabeth. He left issue:—

(ii.) Robert Emerson, m. Ann Found by banns, 9th day of Jan., 1811, at Alvestone Par., Co. Southampton. Robert Emerson went into the Navy and was superannuated as boatswain of H.M.S. *Sheldrake*, June 30, 1817, given at Chatham 3 July, 1817. He was wrecked in H.M.S. *Boreas* (Commander Scott) on the Hanny Rocks, off Guernsey, in 1807. He also served in H.M.S. *Victory*. He was bap. Oct. 5, 1777, at South Somercotes, Co. Lincoln. He left issue:—

(iii.) William, *ob.* at Theddlethorpe, *circa* 1836, who left issue:—(1) Robert, *ob.* 1893, *æt.* 84. (2) Girl, m. George Penton, of Gribly, near Spilsby. (3) Girl, m. Moses Vissey, of Panton, near Wragby, living in 1895.

(iv.) Robert left issue:—Henry (the contributor). Has always spelt the name Emerson. Claims no arms. Tells of land in North Somercotes Parish called "Emerson's Dale," which is said once belonged to a Dr. Emerson. Signed, Henry Emerson, Theddlethorpe, July 4, 1896.

(2) *John Emerson, of Lincoln.*

(i.) Great-grandfather lived at Willoughton and Normanby-by-Spittal, Co. Lincoln.

(ii.) Grandfather, Joseph, maltster, brewer and farmer, had cousins in good positions, one dying at Morton, near Gainsborough. A man of prodigious strength, reputed to have broken a man's heart by "cutting him out" at mowing. Had a cousin named Walter at Thorrock, near Gainsborough.

(iii.) John had issue:—(1) John (the contributor), no issue. (2) Mary Ann, m. Smith, of Bracebridge. (3) William, living, no issue. Always spelt the name Emerson. No arms. Signed, John Emerson, Lincoln, July 7, 1896.

(3) *W. Emmerson, Scotterfield.*

An amusing letter with no information.

(4) *Edward Emmerson, of Louth, Co. Lincoln.*

(i.) Edward Emmerson, a soldier at Waterloo, m. Lizzie Moody and had issue:—Edward Emmerson (the contributor), b. 1848, at Low Toynton (?), near Spilsby. Name always Emmerson. Claims no arms. None of family went abroad. Signed, Edward Emmerson Louth, July 6, 1896.

I found two families of *Eminsons*—Captain Eminson, of Seaham Harbour, who was born in Lincolnshire, using a spurious version of Ralf of Foxton's arms and Sir James Emerson-Tennent's motto, *Deus Protector nos* (*sic*), and Anne Eminson, of Sutton House, Great Gonerby, claiming the same arms. The absurdity of this snobbishness is painful. Were either of these families Lincolnshire Emersons the use of a Durham family's arms would be absurd; but a Jones, Smith or Robinson might as well claim Emerson arms as an *Eminson*, for the Eminsons are in no way connected with the Emersons; the Eminsons being the same as Emsons, Empsons, Emmetsons—*i.e.*, filii Emme.

Kelly, 1897.—Emersons 24, Emmersons 11, Emberson 1 = 36.

VI.

Co. Nottingham.

(1) *G. S. Emmerson, of Nottingham.*

(i.) ? Emmerson, *ob.* 1821 was 40 years in Inland Revenue Service. He left issue:—

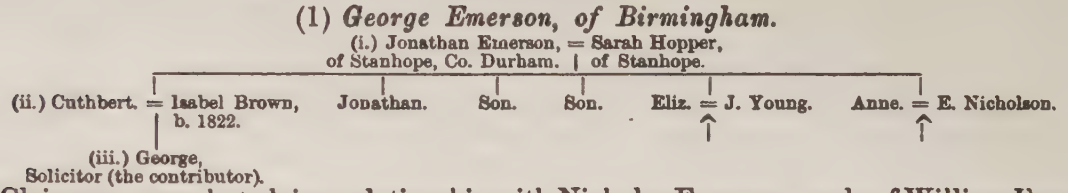
(ii.) ? Emmerson, was also about 40 years in the same service. He left issue:—(1) G. S. Emmerson (the contributor), who has been 26 years in the same service. (2) Son, who went to Australia, *æt.* 25, in 18 3. Three sisters. Always spelt the name Emmerson. No arms. Signed, G. S. Emmerson, Nottingham, June 23, 1896.

Kelly, 1895.—Emersons 0, Emmersons 4, Embersons 0 = 4.

VII.

Co. Warwick.

(1) *George Emerson, of Birmingham.*


(i.) Jonathan Emerson, = Sarah Hopper,
of Stanhope, Co. Durham. | of Stanhope.
(ii.) Cuthbert. = Isabel Brown, b. 1822.
Jonathan.
Son.
Son.
Eliz. = J. Young.
Anne. = E. Nicholson.
(iii.) George, Solicitor (the contributor).

Claims no arms, but claims relationship with Nicholas Emerson, uncle of William Emerson, the mathematician, but no proof offered. Signed, G. Emerson, Birmingham, 31 Dec., 1896.

Kelly, 1897.—Emerson 1, Emmersons 0, Embersons 0 = 1.

VIII.

Co. Leicester.

(1) *W. L. Emmerson, vide Biggleswade, Bedford.*

Lic. Med. Durham, M.R.C.S., L.S.A., m. Sarah Martin and has issue:—(1) William Morton, b. July 11, 1879. (2) Henry Hetherington, b. Oct. 20, 1880. (3) Howard Lindsey, b. Oct. 2, 1882. (4) Alice Mary, b. June 17, 1884. (5) Kathleen Amy, b. April 5, 1892. Signed, W. L. Emmerson, Leicester, July 14, 1896.

Leicester and Rutland, Kelly, 1895.—Emerson 1, Emmersons 2, Embersons 0 = 3.

IX.

Co. Stafford.

(1) *E. Emerson, Burton-on-Trent, Widow.*

Came from Nottinghamshire and have always spelt the name Emerson. No arms.

(i.) Grandparents died at Willoughby, as did their parents and grandparents. Grandparents left issue:—

(ii.) (1) Father, *ob. æt.* 53. Most of these are in the registers at Willoughby and Loughborough, Notts. (2) John. (3) Joseph. Both went to Egypt. (4) Girl, m. Wakefield. (5) Girl, m. Turner.

(iii.) Her husband, son of father (*ut supra*), *ob.* 1894, and left issue:—(1) William, *æt.* 31. (2) Lizzie, *æt.* 29. (3) John, *æt.* 27. (4) Joe, *æt.* 25. (5) Harry, *æt.* 24. (6) Edith, *æt.* 22. (7) Anne, *æt.* 20. (8) Rose, *æt.* 16. (9) Arthur, *æt.* 14. Signed, E. Emerson, Burton-on-Trent, July, 1896.

Kelly, 1896.—Emersons 4, Emmersons 0, Embersons 0 = 4.

X.

Co. Cambridge.

(1) *James Emerson, of Cottenham, Cambs.*

(i.) Elizabeth, wife of ? Emerson. They had issue:—

(ii.) John Emerson, who married Mary Cross and had issue:—

(iii.) Jeremiah Emerson, b. May 1, 1837, *ob.* March 13, 1887. Jeremiah m. Eliza Currington, b. April 9, 1840, *ob.* Dec., 1891. They had issue:—(1) James, b. Jan. 26, 1865. (2) Frank, b. April 30, 1870. (3) Albert, b. Oct. 28, 1878. (4) Oliver, b. May 23, 1881.

(iv.) James Emerson, m. Rachel Bartingale, who was b. Aug., 1869. They have issue:—(1) Florrie Emerson, b. Jan. 15, 1888. The family have always lived in Cambridgeshire and and spelt their name Emerson. None have gone abroad that they know of, and they claim no arms. Signed, James Emerson, Cottenham, June 30, 1896.

Kelly, 1896.—Emersons 4, Emmerson 1, Embersons 0 = 5.

XI.

Co. Norfolk.

(1) *Robert Emmerson, of Tattington, near Aylsham.*

(i.) William Emmerson, b. at Rackheath, near Norwich, lived at Tunsted. He had issue:—(1) John. (2) Robert. (3) William. All dead. (4) Charles, went abroad 50 years ago and never since heard of.

(ii.) One of the above had sole issue:—

(iii.) Robert (the contributor), who had issue:—(1) Dorothy. (2) Robert. (3) Alfred. No arms. Signed, Robert Emmerson, near Aylsham, July, 1896.

(2) *E. C. Emmerson, Great Yarmouth.*

Has tradition that her ancestors fled from France at the "time of the persecution of the Christians"—Hugenots? Has always spelt the name Emmerson and always been very particular on the point. No other details given. Possibly a descendant of Nicholas Emerson, of Great Yarmouth, a Hugenot, *vide* Norfolk Emersons Ancient, Cap. IV.—P. H. E.

(3) *John Moody Emerson, now living in Cheshire (q.v.).*

"Russell Houghton Emerson, son of Russell and Ellen Emerson, was born at Holkham, Norfolk, May 6, 1827. He received a liberal education and married Feb. 11, 1851, Mary Moody, eldest daughter of Captain John Moody, of York (Commodore in the Peninsula and Oriental S.S. Co.). In 1851 Mr. Emerson went to the United States and took up lands in Grant Co., Wisconsin, the Eldorado at that time for farming; returned in 1858 to join his father-in-law, Captain Moody, in the establishing of the first steamers on the river Dart, Devonshire. In 1859 Mr. Emerson again went to the United States and purchased the Etna Estate, in La Fayette Co., Wisconsin, where he engaged in milling, farming and mining, and where he died July 10, 1893, after a successful and honourable career. Russell Houghton Emerson was esteemed for his genial nature, broad-minded convictions, honourable commercial dealing and moral worth. While not entering much into the strife of political life, he took great interest in all that concerned the welfare of the country in which he lived, and especially in the great imperial interest of the mother-land of his birth. A true Englishman and a faithful son of the Church of England, he worked hard in the service of religion and took an active part in the religious work of all denominations, and amongst his personal friends there were none from whom he received greater evidence of regard than from General U. S. Grant, President of the United States. Russell Houghton Emerson left a widow, two sons, John Moody and Arthur Russell, and four daughters, to mourn his loss."

R. H. Emerson.

"John Moody Emerson, son of Russell Houghton and Mary Emerson, was born Jan. 24, 1854, at Elk Grove, Grant Co., Wis., U.S.A.; came to England with his parents in 1858. Received his education at the Grammar School, Snettisham, Norfolk, also in London and at

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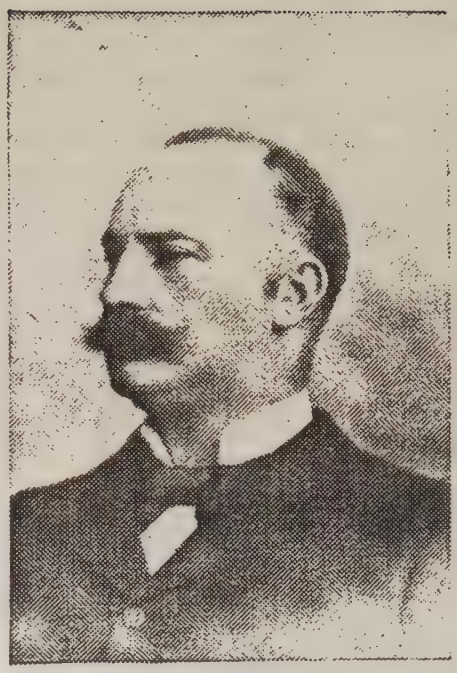
The Property of Wm. P. Conover Esq. taken from the Hillside of 1870.

the Normal Schools at Platteville, Wisconsin, and Galena, Illinois, U.S.A. After having been engaged in business with his father in America, came to England in 1879 and joined a firm of milling engineers in Manchester, where amongst other of his inventions he brought out, in connection with the Anglo-Hungarian System of Flour Milling, his patent 'Premier Semolina Purifier,' which has proved the most successful machine for the purpose of the day. Mr. Emerson has also recently greatly developed the inventions of his grandfather, the late Captain John Moody, for 'Rayed Lightships,' 'Floating Electric Telegraph Stations,' and 'Rayed Uncapsizable Steam Lifeboats," and was awarded at the Liverpool Marine Exhibition, in 1887, two gold medals and one silver medal for his exhibit of models of the same. Mr. Emerson is known to the flour millers of the United Kingdom as a flour-milling expert, and for his correct forecasting of the markets, and his papers on the 'Appreciation of gold and the fall of prices,' read at the Annual Meetings of the 'British and Irish Millers' Association,' have been most favourably received, and also obtained for him the thanks of the Council of the Bi-metallic League of Great Britain. In 1893 Mr. Emerson married Annie Robinson, at St. Andrew's, Edinburgh. Residence, 'Ventnor,' West Kirby, Cheshire." Signed, J. M. Emerson, West Kirby, Nov. 1, 1897.



J. M. Emerson.

(4) *Charles Emerson, Prince of Wales Road, Norwich.*

Mr. Charles Emerson is a solicitor, as was his father before him, at Norwich. He is related to the preceding family, *vide* printed pedigree.

(i.) Matthew Sallit Emerson, solicitor, m. the dau. of Rev. George T. Hall, Vicar of Hempnall, near Norwich. They had issue:—(1) Charles (the contributor), solicitor, a bachelor living at Norwich. (2) Herbert Brie, House Surgeon to Chester Infirmary. (3) John Henry, an undergraduate at Clare College, Cambridge. (4) Emily Mary, m. Mr. Eric W. Pritchard, of Norwich. (5) Edith Harriet, spinster. (6) Winifred Marion, spinster. Has always spelt the name Emerson and claims no arms. Signed, C. Emerson, 30 Oct., 1896.

This family originated at Holkham, as the preceding pedigree proves. There is a tradition that they originally came from Lincolnshire.

Kelly, 1896.—Emersons 12, Emmersons 11, Embersons 0 = 23.

XII.

Co. Suffolk.

(1) *Dr. P. H. Emerson, of The Nook, Oulton, Suffolk.*

Dr. P. H. Emerson has hitherto refused all applications for his biography, though he has more than once been approached on the subject by enterprising editors. He has, however, kindly permitted the present compiler to collect and note the chief points in his career, allowing that a family history is the place for a writer's portrait and biography if such record be worth anything at all—a point on which the doctor seems more than doubtful.

Pedro Enrique Emerson, as the subject of these notes was christened, was born in the *Casa Grande* on the La Palma Estate, Cuba, on May 13, 1856. He was baptized privately on the estate on St. Peter's Day (San Pedro), hence his first name. His pedigree is published in full under Armigerous Emersons, from which it will be seen that he is a "son of the Revolution" through the Morses; a descendant on his mother's side of one of the oldest Norman families, the Billings als Trelawders, of Cornwall, and a double descendant of Thomas Emerson's sons, Joseph and Nathaniel, for his great-grandmother, Ruth, was a direct lineal descendant of Nathaniel Emerson, *ob.* 1712—the Emerson on whose tomb are carved the arms of Ralf of Foxton, a descendant of the high foresters of Co. Durham, and military custodians of the marches of England. His relationship to Ralph Waldo Emerson will be seen

from the pedigree. Further notes of his forbears are needless as they are given in the annotated pedigree published under Armigerous Emersons (Cap. II.), where are also given his arms.

Dr. Emerson's early life, up to eight years, was spent on his father's estate in Cuba, where he appears to have led a romantic existence with his sister, two years his junior, and together they were commonly spoken of as Paul and Virginia. This part of his life he has himself fully described in his book, "Caóba, the Guerilla Chief." Even in his very early years his "history" began; when yet an infant and journeying to see his grandmother in Cornwall, his energetic spirit induced him to explore, unattended by the careless nurse, the mysterious depths of a long porthole. It is reported that but few inches remained between him and the waves when the steward came to the rescue and ignominiously withdrew the enterprising young voyager legs foremost. That he was also once a passenger on a cholera-stricken Cuban coaster, and that on another occasion he and his mother with their servants were overtaken by a terrible storm while in an open boat, the two Spanish sailors of which alternately drank and raved until the storm abated, are other details of his early youth, which might well prepare us for the unconventional and original life that follows.

P. H. Emerson, *circa* 3 years. J. B. Emerson, *circa* 1 year.
(From a photograph.)

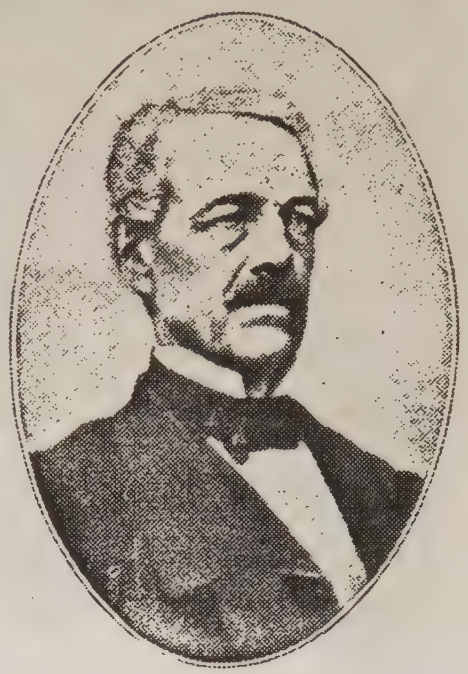
In 1864 the family went to America, to Wilmington, Delaware, and there lived in the American style in hotels and boarding houses, until in 1866 a house, 818, West Street, was bought. This period of his life has remained very vividly in the memory of Dr. Emerson, for the great Civil War had just broken out and amongst the fellow-boarders at Mrs. Keene's boarding house was General Dent, Grant's brother-in-law; while Admiral Gillis, General French and General Thomas, of Gettysburg fame, were intimate friends of Mr. Emerson, Sen., the young Frenchs becoming companions to young Pedro. General Smith's great funeral also occurring while the family was at Wilmington, made a great impression on the boy.

While at Wilmington he attended Mr. T. C. Taylor's day school, a large establishment at the corner of Eighth and Wollaston Streets, which meant a long walk morning and evening and one very trying in the severe winters to which he was totally unaccustomed. It was then that the first great grief of his life fell upon him—the death of his bright and beautiful little sister, who at seven years of age was carried off by an attack of typhoid, contracted from drinking bad milk given at recess hour in a girls' school well known in the town.

For four years the family lived on at Wilmington, Mr. Emerson, Sen., going to Cuba during the dry seasons, and it was on one of these visits that he was attacked by dysentery, which caused his death in 1867.

The intellectual development of young Pedro does not seem to have received much stimulus from his school, but more chiefly depended on his own voracious appetite for home

reading, his favourite books being "travels" and poetry; indeed, I remember his telling me of a long walk of several miles taken one bitter snowy night to hear Bayard Taylor lecture, and this must have been before he was ten years old. Base-ball and football, in which last game there seemed to be no rules beyond that of trying to kick the ball into the opponents' goal, skating and sledding (tobogganing, as we call it), and excursions in the Brandywine woods and along the Brandywine river and through the marshes round the Christiana Creek, the haunt of the reed-birds, formed the most delightful and perhaps useful part of the curriculum.



Don H. E. Emerson,
Of the La Palma Estate. Taken 1866.

On the whole, life must have been amusing and exciting. Often torchlight processions celebrated some victory over the South, and one day great excitement was produced throughout the town by a telegram posted in a chemist's window of "Richmond has fallen," which virtually meant the end of the Civil War; or it would be ragged confederate prisoners being marched to Fort Delaware; or again, regiment after regiment of the North passing through, their hats and caps nondescript and riddled with bullets, their clothes in rags, themselves adorned with laurel leaves and devices in fancy bread, and many of the men wounded. The hoardings were covered with offers of rewards for bounty-jumpers and substitutes, and once a "drawing" for troops took place in the market-place. Dr. Emerson says he remembers seeing nearly everybody crying on market-day when President Lincoln was assassinated. Dances, fairs (bazaars), 4th of July celebrations and fights were the chief amusements—the better class boys having continual "town and gown" rows with the lower class boys. Dr. Emerson was also the best runner in his street at this period.

In 1867 Mrs. Emerson sold the Wilmington property and leaving her husband and little daughter in the Wilmington Cemetery, she with her sons sailed for Havana in the autumn. The old life was now resumed at La Palma Estate—riding, lasso throwing, shooting, swimming, collecting butterflies. The year 1868 was spent between Philadelphia and Wilmington, with an occasional tour to Niagara, Saratoga, or Lake Champlain, and finally Pedro was placed in a military school at Claymont, on the banks of the Delaware. Trinity College seems to have been a "Do the boys' Hall" as far as education was concerned, but perhaps to this early training in what we may call a "military academy" may be traced the military aspirations which were later declared in the Doctor. The boys were dressed as cadets and drilled to the tune of "Hail, Columbia," the Doctor himself acting as standard-bearer, and proudly carrying the Stars and Stripes. At this novel kind of school every boy had a garden and it was considered a matter of honour to build a water-mill on the river. Besides these studies in horticulture and hydrostatics, football of a kind, base-ball, skating, sledding, and realistic playing at Indians in Darley's Woods, swimming and bird-nesting seem to have constituted the chief work. Latin and French, it is true, were sampled, but the Doctor tells me he knew little about either when he left though he was in the Third Class. The old school reports show he often obtained "full marks" for English Subjects and Arithmetic; but no prizes were ever given at this mercenary establishment. Drawing, too, he took kindly to, one of his drawings being selected by the American artist, F. O. Darley, for speech-day exhibition.

In June, 1869, the family left the States and sailed to England in the "rolling" *Java*. On arrival in England the family went to Aldershot, where a brother of Mrs. Emerson was stationed, and it was owing to the fact that his young cousins were at Cranleigh School that young Emerson also went there, his uncle having a great prejudice against English public schools. Emerson entered Cranleigh in Sept., 1869, a delicate-looking, but really wiry, slip of a boy, and owing to his desultory early education began low down in the school—in the Second Form in general subjects and in the Third Form in Mathematics. Handicapped

urther by his complete ignorance of cricket and of football as played in England, he had to make his way against long odds. But the way was made, and term after term, according to the school calendars, he passed up from form to form, taking each year his form prize, until in 1874 he stood second in the school, having during his career taken the form prizes of Lower III., Mathematics (1870); Lower IV., General Subjects (1871); Form V., General Subjects (1872); Lower VI., General Subjects (1873); and gaining a prize for "The best essay on trees," as well as having collected the best lot of wild flowers, birds' eggs and butterflies: these with some of his American and Cuban eggs and butterflies are now in the Cranleigh School Museum. Emerson was especially honoured by being made Prefect whilst in the Fifth Form, and was afterwards Senior Prefect and Secretary of the School Games; for although the school elected him Captain of the Games in 1874, the Headmaster said that for a boy to be Senior Prefect, Scholar and Captain was too much power, and as Emerson was a most useful Senior Prefect the Headmaster unjustly overruled the

Cranleigh School First Football Eleven, 1873—4.

A. C. W. Clarke. H. Nicholls. W. C. Mould. H. Johnson. J. A. Wyatt.
H. Caswell. Rev. H. W. Pate. P. H. Emerson (*Hon. Sec.*). H. C. Alexander.
J. Hardy. H. J. Tanner (*Capt.*).

Cranleigh School. First Eleven, 1875.

F. Ware. T. Carmichael. P. H. Emerson. T. Steele. H. Watson. J. Phillips. A. Abbott. W. Barton.
(*Hon. Sec.*) (*Capt.*)
H. E. Caswell. W. H. Richmond. R. Farquharson.

Matches played 10—Won 8. Lost 1. Drawn 1.

school election and made an inferior man Captain, though Emerson was his superior as an all-round athlete. He and his rival, L. C. Wooldridge, now fought for the top of the school. The coveted place was won by the rival, who afterwards passed a most distinguished University course and obtained a European reputation in physiology; a man whose brilliant career was cut short at a very early age by blood-poisoning, but who at 30 had already been made Lecturer at Guys' and Examiner at the College of Surgeons. Emerson was at the same time awarded one of the junior scholarships of the school. In this last year at school he made his first appearance as a writer, contributing to the *Surrey County Advertizer* and school magazine.

Throughout his school career athletics had been cultivated as well as class work, and we find him playing for the School First Football Eleven during two seasons, 1873—4 and 1874—5; and for the Cricket First Eleven, which meant one of eight, as three masters played in the Eleven—Street and Jupp, of Surrey fame, being the school professionals. Emerson was the Eleven long-stop. He won several prizes at the athletic sports, for the open 100 (2nd), quarter (2nd) and throwing the cricket-ball; running as fox at paper chases, never being caught and always in first as fox, having once swum a canal with his paper bags, and during the last year

*Cranleigh School, Hamlet Play, 1875.

J. D. Priest. (Laertes.) T. Steele. (Ghost.) W. E. Barton. (Polonius.) P. H. Emerson. (Hamlet.)
H. Rayner. (Queen.) H. Nicholls. (King.) A. W. Plant. (Ophelia.)

running and winning the "Strangers'" quarter in 57 secs. on grass and in sandshoes from a professional and the village champion, several masters and a scholar (nine in all), as scholars, and therefore Emeron *inter alia*, were not allowed to compete in the school sports, the Strangers' Race excepted. He was also in the first class in gymnastics, of which a speciality was made at Cranleigh, and a good fives player, representing his Dormitory, the Prefects and the Scholars on separate occasions.

Among other accomplishments that of amateur acting was cultivated, Emerson taking the chief characters in "Macbeth" and "Hamlet." His Dormitory Football Eleven tied for the Champion Dormitory under Emerson's captaincy. Emerson says his slogging style learnt at base-ball spoilt him for cricket, whereas his base-ball fielding marked him as a fielder, for he was, according to the magazine, a splendid "field." As a scholar Emerson had to teach various forms in the school in English, French, Geography, etc., and edited the school magazine. In 1874 Emerson ran at Broadwater Sports and won the third prize in the open quarter and second in the open three-legged race, being beaten by the brothers Marshall of All England Rugby Football fame.

* This photo looks strange owing to the "making-up" of the faces and "re-touching."

In 1875, after a brilliant school career, he passed the preliminary at the Apothecaries' Hall, as at that period he merely wished to qualify in medicine, never intending to practice but contemplating becoming a scientific traveller, and went into chambers at King's College, London, to study medicine. Here, though up to now ignorant of Rugby, Emerson was at once chosen to play forward in the Hospital First Fifteen, which he continued to do throughout his career and finally became Captain of King's College, London. He also played for the First Fifteen Ravenscourt Park Club until its dissolution, and every year took down a scratch team to play Cranleigh, a custom which afterwards developed into the "Old Boys'" yearly match. He also played on Wednesdays for Kensington, East Sheen, and in the holidays for Teignmouth and East Devon one summer winning a prize at Torquay Sports and every season playing cricket regularly for the Teignmouth Eleven.

In April, 1877, Emerson passed his first College of Surgeons Examination. Probably no student ever passed with less work. In the intervals of work in 1877 we find him helping to found the King's College Cricket Club, forming one of the Committee, being Secretary and playing in the First Eleven, and being President of the King's College Resident Debating Society.

The King's College Magazine being started about this time Emerson became a constant and vigorous contributor, and finally edited the magazine. In the July number we find him first writing on art, an article entitled "Fashionable Art," a gibe at the Academy and its frequenters, and later on in the same year other articles. At the same time, with that versatility that all through his career has characterized him, we find Emerson running for and winning a race at the King's Sports. He now joins the Victoria Rifles and soon wins his marksman's badge and a cup for shooting, as well as being chosen for the Company's "tug-of-war" team. He is also boating on the Thames, he and two others keeping a "lock-up" at Chelsea. He played once or twice for the Cranleigh "Old Boys'" at Cricket and Football.

King's College, London, First Football Fifteen, 1878–9.

Collier. Carey. T. Deloys. P. H. Emerson (*Capt.*). Smith. E. B. Townsend. C. N. Cornish.
E. W. Corner. W. J. Penny. Duffy. Morris
Willcocks. J. R. Davies. R. P. Bond. Guinness.

[The First Cricket Eleven, 1878, of King's College, London.

G. Aslett. E. W. Corner. P. H. Emerson (*Hon. Sec.*). J. H. Lavies. H. Davidson.
C. L. Stow. C. J. Coombe. H. S. Sparrow. A. Lofthouse.
R. C. Stewart (*Capt.*) (absent). H. McDougall.

In 1878—9 he becomes Captain of the Football Club and gets one of the two presentation football caps. During his Captaincy he organized the Club splendidly, King's often sending out three Fifteens at once, a thing never known before or since. This same year he became Treasurer of the Athletic Club and left a good balance, and played for the United Hospitals' First Fifteen. During these athletic successes Emerson kept up his literary work, and we find in the December number of the College Magazine a very amusing article, "Behind the Scenes," a description of his experiences as an amateur super in "Il Trovatore" at Her Majesty's Theatre. In the same number we find it reported that Emerson with another is representing King's at the meeting for the formation of the United Hospitals' Cricket Club, and an interesting account of Emerson dancing the "Sand Dance" at a "Nigger Minstrel" entertainment got up to pay off the debt of the Cricket Club. In 1878, after organizing matches for the First, Second and Third Cricket Elevens and playing in the First himself, he comes out fifth in batting averages. During Emerson's captaincy of the Football, the Club had the best season on record up to that time, playing such strong teams as Cambridge University and being close up for the Hospital Cup, which was lost over a disputed goal; many of the players representing counties and playing for the United Hospitals, while one member was an International. Emerson gained his colours in the United Hospitals in 1877—8, and was chosen to represent the County of Devon in Rugby inter-county matches for two seasons, in 1877—8 and 1878—9.

In 1879 work comes to the fore and we find Emerson passing his final for the M.R.C.S., while for relaxation after this grind we find him at the King's College Athletic Sports throwing the cricket ball, and one of five students representing the Medical Department in a tug-of-war

against other Departments of the College, in which the medicos won the day; Emerson is very proud of the pewter thus won. Soon after passing the M.R.C.S. he went for a holiday to Switzerland.

P. H. Emerson, 1879, M.R.C.S. Eng

During his career as a student, there appears no doubt that Emerson drank deep of the draught of life in London, as may be gathered from his "Paul Ray at the Hospital" and "Signor Lippo," and he confesses that he worked hard only for his M.R.C.S. examinations, spending his holidays in Devonshire cricketing, fishing, footballing, running, sailing and driving, of which he became very fond. One short amusing episode in his career must not be omitted, that of gaining the Leathes Theological Prize, a feat that neither friend nor enemy would have expected from him; for it was much more in Emerson's line to fill his rooms with the most cheerful of companions on some boat-race night, and forget the fact that the gates were closed at twelve, of then assisting the guests down the convenient spout; or, perhaps, himself, supping out, having to climb into his chambers over the roof of the dissecting room; stories exist of "wines" prolonged into the small hours, of fights with roughs on illumination nights, of *bals masqués* at Cremorne, or suppers at Evans', and all the wild jokes of youth full of vitality.

On his return from Switzerland Emerson decided to go to Cambridge and enter for the Natural Science Tripos, but before going thither he took *locum tenens* for one of the residents, and work at Queen Charlotte's to oblige a friend. Then in October he entered at Clare College, Cambridge, which then had the reputation of containing "good athletes." There he was chosen to play in the First Football Fifteen and to row in one of the College trial Eights, rowing five in a race that took place in floating ice, the crew in which Emerson was rowing winning a hard fought race. He also won a prize in the College Sports. Emerson says he found the bulk of Clare men a set of "anaemic prigs," with a few nice *boys*, and he was on the point of migrating to Jesus when he heard that the post of Assistant House Physician was unexpectedly vacant at King's College Hospital and he was advised to enter for it. This post, which was given by competitive examination, he obtained, and returning to Cambridge, celebrated the event by a wild wine party, in which midnight processions with milk punch figured largely, and which afterwards

P. H. Emerson's Chambers at King's College, London, No. 22.
C. N. Cornish. P. H. Emerson. Krikorian.
(1879.)

formed the text for a sermon in Clare Chapel by an "ex-gutter-snipe."

In London he now shared a garret in Buckingham St., Strand, with Mr., now Dr. John Philips, and daily attended the Hospital to carry out his duties, returning at night to his abode, amid the "belated actresses, painted h- —s and prowling cats" as he himself put it.

In 1880 he distinguished himself in the law courts in an action against the Aquarium Company for illegally ejecting him; the Company had accused him of having thrown the detective in the seal tank the previous night. The case was immediately given by Judge Cockburn against the Company, who had to pay costs and damages. It was a case of mistaken identity, the real culprit being a Sandhurst cadet aided by his friends.

P. H. Emerson's Chambers at King's College, London (No. 22, 1879).

King's College Hospital being closed for repairs that summer, the residents received an

Clare College, Cambridge, First (Rugby) Football Fifteen, 1881—2.

F. Munro. C. Rogers. J. Fischer. W. H. Alderson (*Capt.*). W. Bankes. R. Beasley. F. Colville. W. Murrott. F. T. McDonnell.
G. E. Sheddon. A. Marshall. F. Riley. C. J. B. Marriott. F. C. Bagnall. P. H. Emerson.

idemnity for the loss of their board, and with a fellow-officer Emerson went to Norway, an account of which he wrote for the King's College Magazine. Here again we see the keen love of sport and athletic competition so inherent in his character. A walking race was arranged, international, one might say, to the Voringfos, and out of the total number of eight, Emerson and a stalwart Norwegian alone reached the goal, and together drank scöl in the cool of the spray. During this tour, it is said a Norwegian lady fell in love with him and followed him to his railway carriage with tears; furthermore the captain of the steamer did the same in a more prosaic manner, wishing to take him into partnership in making and selling a quack pill of sheep's dung. Emerson declined the advances of both syrens and resumed his legitimate medical studies as full House Physician when the Hospital re-opened. The work of the Resident Medical Officer of King's College Hospital in those days was one of the most responsible and hardest worked posts in London, there being no permanent Resident Officer

KING'S COLLEGE HOSPITAL, RESIDENT MEDICAL OFFICERS, 1880.

P. Close (*House Surgeon to Prof. Lister*). J. Davidson (*Asst. Accoucheur*). S. Farmer (*Asst. House Surgeon*).
F. W. Silk (*Asst. House Physician*). P. H. Emerson (*House Physician*). W. J. Penny (*Accoucheur*). J. Phillips (*House Surgeon*).

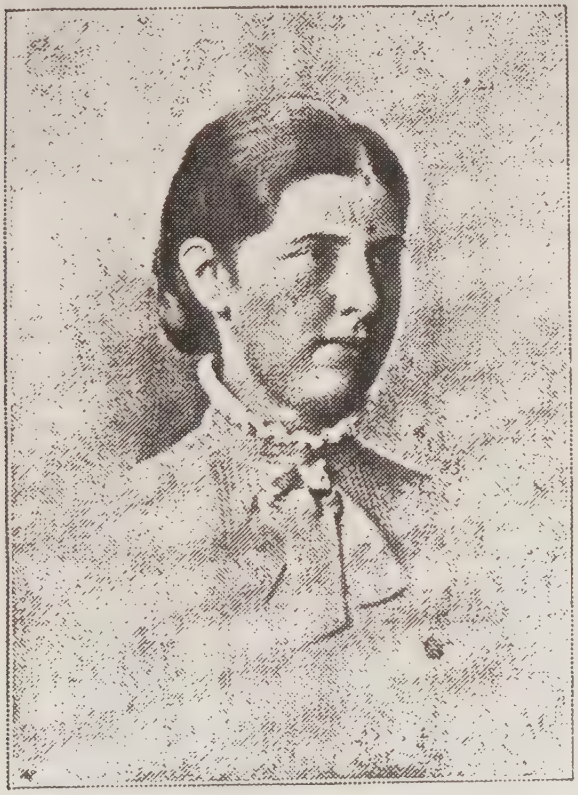
as at most other Hospitals. Emerson liked the work and stood the strain well, though it killed more than one of his fellow-residents. His organizing powers stood him good stead, and his well-known faculty of leadership came out here as well as in all his other undertakings.

In November, his term of office being up, he returned to Cambridge to find he could not go in for the Natural Science Tripos, as he had been engaged in scientific work away from the University for a year, so he commenced at once to work for the First M.B. Probably he made a mistake in taking the General B.A. at all, and should have been content with the M.B., for he could easily have got honours in the Science Tripos when he first went up to Cambridge, and by taking the General he got with a class to which he in no way belonged.

Just at this time another event took place to further interrupt the regular tenor of his University career. Emerson fell in love in a romantic manner, and engaged himself to one of the Grey Sisters of the Nursing Sisterhood of St. John's. This obliged him to settle in Cambridge as a married undergraduate. He also was elected a member of the Mermaids' Reading Club, and of the Hawks' Social Club, of which he was made a life member, having been a Hawk in residence nine terms. At that time the Hawks' Club was the most exclusive Social Club in Cambridge, where only athletes of reputation were admitted, but now *ils ont changé tout cela.*

King's College Hospital, 1880—1, Twining Medical Ward.

This same winter Emerson spent his holiday in South Wales, and was so much interested in the Welsh that he returned there in later years as will be seen. On his return to the University he was chosen to row five in the new College boat at the Lent races, but an attack of rheumatism prevented him rowing. He also played for the First Rugby Fifteen and in a match for the United Hospitals *v.* the University.



Miss Edith Amy Ainsworth, 1889, *æt.* 26.
Afterwards Mrs. P. H. Emerson.

In the following spring he shot in the Wimbledon Competition for badge, but never completed the ranges, and competed once or twice unsuccessfully for C Company Challenge Cup, and winning a scratch four, Emerson making 45 out of the total 144. Later on in the same year he went in for his marksman's badge, getting 59 points at 300 and shooting off his second class, but he never shot off his first class, and this is the last Government rifle shooting Emerson did.

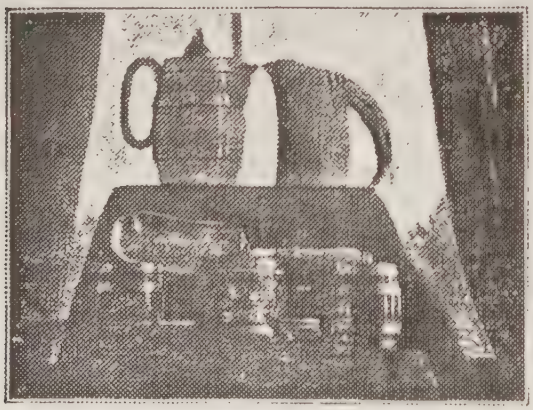
Emerson was this year elected an Associate of King's College for having completed his studies "with distinction." After passing the second part of his Little Go, and a short stay in London, where farewell dinners were given to his old friends, he went north to be married, taking with him various presents from his old brother-residents and clinical clerks at King's and Cambridge friends.

The honeymoon, spent at Grasmere, was occupied in writing "Paul Ray at the Hospital" (in a fortnight), botanising with his wife over the hills, climbing Helvellyn and the neighbouring hills and boating on

The Mermaids University Reading Club (Cambridge, 1881).

	E. A. Haggard (*Sec.*). Pemb.	H. M. Chataway. Emm.	C. Sharp. Clare.	W. Morley. Clare.
P. H. Emerson. Clare.	W. S. Sherrington. Caius.	G. Devonshire (*Pres.*). Trin.	C. B. Walters. Emm.	J. A. Sedgwick. Clare.

the lake. It was brought to a sad end by the death of his mother, who had joined her son and daughter-in-law in search of health. As he was one of his mother's executors he had to return to Devonshire, where she had lived, until the beginning of term, when he went into residence as a married undergraduate, at 4, Park Side, Cambridge. That autumn he was elected captain of the Clare Football (Rugby) Club, but had to decline, and the post was offered to and accepted by C. J. B. Marriot, who was afterwards Captain of England. Emerson, it may be said, retired from sports, for the time, on his marriage. He worked hard for six weeks for his General and passed at Christmas.



Wedding Presents to Mr. P. H. Emerson from the Residents and Clinical Clerks at King's College Hospital and from some Cambridge friends.

The Christmas vacation was spent in Italy with his wife and two nieces, the party returning in time for term, and bringing back with them Mrs. Emerson's portrait, painted in the Villa de Medici, by L. Doucet, a Prix de Rome student. On their homeward journey they stopped a

Monte Carlo, and Emerson relates a story that shows his strength of mind. He determined to risk £5 on the tables. He won and lost until some 15 francs remained, which he gave to the girls of the party to have enamelled and made into brooches, and promptly left Monte Carlo.

On his return to Cambridge he began to work seriously for his medical degree, spending his spare time in botanising and "birding" with A. H. Evans in the fens. At Easter a jaunt with his wife to his old school, Cranleigh, broke the work, and after returning, he broke the monotony of work with occasional drives over to the race meetings at Newmarket. His interest in athletics prompted him also to join the Isthmian Club, then newly formed, and he was one of the original members of the University La Crosse Club. In May of this year we find him going to London to buy a photographic outfit, for it had been arranged that Emerson and Evans (the ornithologist) should go the following "Long" on an ornithological expedition to the valley of the Petchora. Emerson was to photograph the birds and Evans write on them. In this way did Emerson become a photographer, receiving his first lessons from E. Griffiths, F.R.S., with whom he was working in physics and chemistry at the time, and from this date onwards, photography, science, literature and natural history went hand in hand.

Mrs. Jane Harris Emerson (*née* Billino).
[1881.]

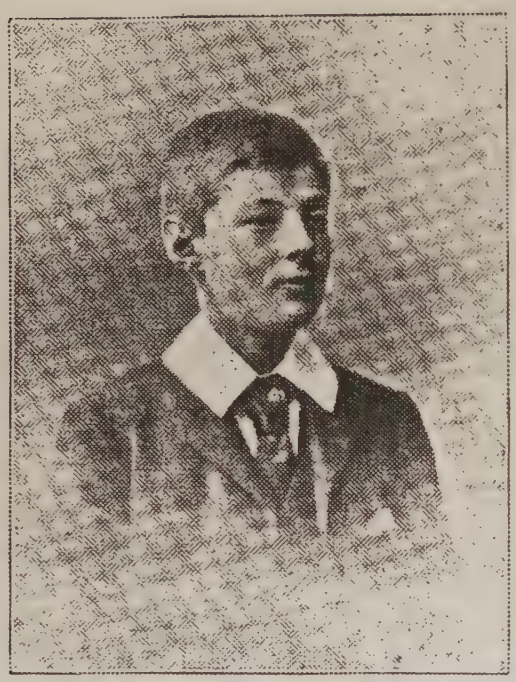
Emerson's first book, "Paul Ray," published by private subscription, now saw the light, and very soon after, his eldest son also, on May 12th, 1882.

With the energy and enthusiasm that ever characterized him, Emerson assiduously photographed everything, indoors and out, making experiments of his own, taking, as he did, all through his life, and still does, nothing for granted that he himself has not verified, and making rapid strides where other tyros made futile and feeble stumbles. At the same time he did a great deal of good microscopic work, mounting and staining specimens.

From painting by L. Doucet (Prix de Rome), done at Villa de Medici, Roma, 1882.

He tells me he moved a good deal in the local society of Cambridge as a married undergraduate. It would seem he found the "dons," even when young, as they, some of them then were dull, priggish, prejudiced, fusty, wholly provincial, and generally objectionable, with a very few exceptions, who were "good sorts;" the undergraduates nice, over-fed boys, or priggish bounders and "saps," and as far as real modesty, humanity and breadth of view are concerned, he considers them children, and rather objectionable children as compared with medical students, who are, in his estimation, the finest and jolliest set of students alive. On the other hand, curiously enough, Emerson does not care for the full-fledged and provincial practising medico, and he thinks, more often than not, they develop into prigs, snobs and commercial bounders, whilst on the other hand, the "nice boys" of the University often develop later into good fellows.

During this summer Emerson went to Scotland with an old fellow-student and brother athlete, *en route* for Iceland, but as the Danish mail boat never called, the friends toured through Scotland and the Shetlands. Many and amusing are the stories he tells of Scots' brag, Scots' manners, Scots' laziness and Scots' cant, and says he found himself in perfect



Leonard Ainsworth Emerson, 1896, *æt.* 14.

accord with Dr. Johnson in his opinion of this truly overrated nation. But he allows he came across one splendid Scottish gentleman, Stewart, of Duntullum—a magnificent man, jovial as an Englishman. He was the first breeder of Highland cattle. Emerson had taken his camera on this tour, and together with Dr. Rudolph Credner, Professor of Erdkund, of Griefswald, photographed and made notes on the Skye peasants. Doubtless here was the germ of Emerson's after works on the English peasantry.

Emerson sent his first pictures to Pall Mall in September of this year, some in platinotype, and one of the two platinotypes in the exhibition. He also passed his first M.B. at Christmas in spite of the worries of Cuban business matters, and finishing off his executorship of the English property, so serious was the Cuban business that he decided to go out to Cuba, and sailed in the S.S. *Pavonia* on December 30, 1882, having an exceptionally stormy voyage of thirteen days to New York. In Havana Emerson delivered his letters of introduction to one of the chief merchants in the island, and was at once elected a member of the Union Club, and proceeded to business. In his spare time he took many photographs, but owing to the climate and brilliant light he made several blunders. He tells me he revelled in his native climate and thoroughly enjoyed his trip.

The two most interesting personages he met were General Badeau and the public executioner, a negro who had committed eight murders. On his voyage out Emerson had made friends with Caruncho, one of the proprietors of the Intimidad cigar factory, and when in Havana he took photographs of the processes of cigar-making, some of which he afterwards sent to the *Pictorial World*. It will give some idea of the morality of the journalistic so-called artist, when it is known that these photographs appeared years afterwards, signed by one Dudgeon, with the titles and descriptions ludicrously wrong, and remarks by "our artist." The paper had changed hands several times in between, and there seemed no redress, and we can hardly be surprised that Emerson has concluded, from this and other experiences of the kind, that there are many bounders in journalism.

In February Emerson left Cuba and taking the S.S. *Gallia* at New York returned to to England. One of his fellow-passengers on this voyage was Seymour Hadyn, the etcher, who we are told made speeches in bad taste and got himself generally disliked on the voyage. Emerson edited the ship's journal and many good stories and *bons mots* were printed that journey.

Three days after his arrival back in Cambridge, Emerson was acting *locum tenens* for Dr. Bradbury, now Downing Professor of Medicine, so for a fortnight Emerson was a Consulting Physician at Cambridge, and as it turned out this was his first and last practice. For the rest of the term dissecting lobsters, worms, etc., and generally reading science occupied him, and at the end of the May term he passed the "Special" in Botany, having the first class to himself, for the remaining dozen were all in the second class. June 16 sees him take his B.A. degree, and as recreation we find him going to stay at Bristol Hospital with old King's friends in residence there, and later at Wells in the Vicar's Close with other old friends. This we find him characterizing as "oh, so sleepy." In August the family spent the holidays at Southwold, in Suffolk, this being the first introduction to the district he has made his own by intimate knowledge as well as by his original treatment and poetical writing. On this first trip he took several photographs that were destined to revolutionize photography and to make his name in photographic circles.

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In October, 1883, Emerson joined the Photographic Society of Great Britain, and again exhibited some excellent instantaneous work, at the same time giving a share of his attention to his old love, horse racing, and winning some money on Tonans, whose owner he had met at dinner a few nights previous to the race. A flying visit paid to Yarmouth this autumn left him delighted with the place and ever since this first acquaintance with the town it has kept a corner of his heart, just as it did with Dickens. In December the Second M.B. was passed, twenty-seven out of the fifty candidates being plucked.

At the beginning of the year his eldest daughter, Sybil, was born at Cambridge, and the Sambrooke Medical Registrarship at King's was gained in January, 1884. This appointment entailed Emerson's presence at the Hospital to supervise the clinical clerks, to coach them and the students, "to take" the difficult cases and to keep the records. The post carried a scholarship worth £50 and was the penultimate step to the staff, and was therefore of importance. Emerson took rooms in Woburn Place, attended

Sybil Emerson, 1896, *æt.* 12.

P. H. Emerson, 1885, *æt.* 29.

the Hospital daily during the week and returned to Cambridge, and later on to Southwold, at the week-ends all through the year. Much of his spare time was devoted to photography, at which he worked assiduously, making experiments. He also saw much of his old schoolfellow Wooldridge, and at Queen Charlotte's his fellow-student Woolby.

The following June a new branch of study claimed his attention, that of Hygiene or State Medicine at University College Laboratory.

At this time we find Emerson beginning to be interested in politics, and his sympathies were mainly with the Liberals; he at this time joins the National Liberal Club and other Liberal Associations.

Leaving Cambridge "with few regrets" he took a cottage on the common at Southwold, designated by the stately name of *Wellesley House*. His photographs had now begun to attract considerable attention for their freshness, naturalism and decorative qualities, and by his entirely new methods of treatment. He gained his first medal at Falmouth this summer.

The following December he passed the second or medical part of the Third M.B.,

eleven out of twenty-two were plucked, and in January, 1885, started to read for the last part of the M.B., the surgical part. He had been delayed in starting this by the registrarship, with the constant backward and forward journeys; for his duties continued up to the end of 1884. It was at Southwold that Emerson made the acquaintance of A. G. Bell, a painter, and his wife, who under the name of N. D'Anvers wrote on art. They were much delighted by Emerson's work, and Bell tried to persuade Emerson to study art, but he went on with his photographic and medical work, and began to make notes on the peasantry to satisfy his energetic mind, his only holiday being a short trip to London to take the chair at the dinner of the King's College Football Club, and a few days in Norwich and Cromer. Not satisfied with these pursuits, he fitted up his house as a meteorological station of the second order, and became a member of that Society and of the Microscopical on the proposal of Dr. L. Beale, F.R.S. He also began to cultivate bacteria and stain them for microscopical slides. It may be said that Emerson made his first great photographic success in April of this year in the "Amateur Photographers' at Home Competition," and obtained the first and other medals at the Bond Street Amateur Photographic Exhibition; Mr. Crane, Walter Crane's brother, and another artist being the judges.

Gladys Emerson, 1896, *æt.* 11.

The surgical part of the Third M.B. exam. was passed in May, after which Emerson relaxed by a tour round the picture shows in London, his interest in art being now very keen. At this time his second daughter, Gladys, was born. On his return to Southwold he settled down to write his thesis for the M.B. degree on "Washleather Skin," which he read before Dr. Paget on June 10th. He was much complimented on its originality both by Prof. Paget and by Prof. David Ferrier, F.R.S., and on the following day Emerson took his M.B. degree and returned to Southwold. A few days after he was called to consult in a case of diphtheria, a farmer's little girl. Emerson was horrified at the ignorance and conceit of the local practitioner, and took this fatal case as the text for a diatribe on the lax regulations for the qualifying of medical men, advocating very much stiffer examinations and compulsory practical work, urging the necessity for the constant refusal of incompetent candidates.

Emerson's energies now overflow into efforts to form the Camera Club, he being one of the original founders, Captain Abney, Linley Samborne, H. B. Irwin, J. Harris Stone, M.A., and others co-operating with him in the Art and Science Committee.

It was at this period that Emerson and his brother hired the yacht *Emily* and made his first cruise on the Norfolk Broads. He was enraptured by the landscapes and took some photographs of great beauty and originality that were afterwards published in "Life and Landscape on the Norfolk Broads." On the trip he met T. F. Goodall and H. H. La Thangue, A.R.A., landscape painters. After the trip was over, his ever-bubbling spring of energy instituted paper-chases on horseback at Southwold, in which he and his wife rode recklessly up cliff sides, through mud and mire and across ploughed fields, to the horror of the Cambridge riding master who joined the chase. Thus and with reading and shooting wild fowl on the Blyth he filled up his time until he went to London. Here he had a partnership offered him in Teneriffe and another in Yorkshire, but as he had a private income he felt it unnecessary to jump at the first offer, more especially as the question had been for some time present to him whether he should set up in London as a consulting physician, or leave medicine for literature. Literature pulled most, and soon after Emerson was on South Walsham Broad

aboard the little *Lucy* with T. F. Goodall as a companion, and a Suffolk fisherman as factotum. At the same time he won a prize tour competition for his writing and photographs, Sir W. Besant and Sir J. Linton being the judges. From South Walsham he and Goodall roamed about taking photographs and making notes all day, returning at night to the yacht to develop the negatives. In December, the trip over, he returned to London with the material for "Life and Landscape on the Norfolk Broads." One of his final excursions had been to Sir Savile Crossley's decoys, of which the pictures appeared later in "Pictures of East Anglian Life." About this time he wrote on "An Ideal Photographic Exhibition," an article which he afterwards amplified, and upon which the best of the modern photographic exhibitions are based.

J. W. Emerson, B.A. (Cantab.),
Fellow Commoner of Downing College, Cambridge.
[1890.]

At the beginning of 1886 "Life and Landscape on the Norfolk Broads" was accepted by Messrs. Sampson Low, who undertook to publish it at their own expense on the half profits system, and Emerson read a paper on "Art and Photography" to a crowded audience at the Camera Club, and exhibited several slides, his paper and work exciting considerable attention for their novelty and beauty. All the early part of this year was spent in polishing up the articles for "Life and Landscape," supervising the printing and reproducing of photographs, etc. An offer of £100 a year as retaining fee to a rich London merchant who wanted him to settle in London and become a general practitioner, and another of a post on the staff of a Throat Hospital, failed to tempt him, and indeed, from this time, he throws his lot in with literature. He wrote a "shilling shocker," to shock, but could not get a publisher, and tore it up. A portfolio of photogravures, "Field and Fen," had better luck, and was published by Messrs. Bell, and then Emerson went to Paris with a friend, to see the pictures chiefly. On his return he judged at the Cambridge University Photographic Exhibition, his first judgeship. At Easter he went back to the Broads, living on board the little five-ton yacht, the *Lucy*, and doing much literary work and photography, natural history, etc., one of which photographs, "Gathering Water-Lilies," was published by the Autotype Company as a photogravure, probably the first single photogravure after nature published as a plate on its own merits. In July he is again on the Broads, until September, and then finally decides to give up medicine, thus cutting short a brilliant career, one for which he was eminently fitted by his keen observation, his genius for diagnosis, his varied education; indeed, when Sir George Johnson, F.R.S., heard of his decision, he said, "It is a great loss to medicine," and Sir George was senior physician to King's, and under him Emerson had worked as House Physician and Medical Registrar. Not only was it a loss to medicine, but also to society, for Emerson rapidly became a recluse, and his wit, humour, geniality and general *bonhomie* were buried in the country. He threw away ambition for his love for nature and character. But, on the other hand, as Prof. Karl Pearson has said, "The best training for observation and description is that of a clinical clerk." And how well Emerson's natural faculties of observation and description were trained, we may judge by his having been, not only clinical clerk, but also House Physician and Medical Registrar; so that he started well equipped for his new profession, "the interpretation of nature and man," and with what success he has followed this career, the unprejudiced know.

In the autumn of 1886 Emerson moved with his family to 10, Marlborough Crescent, Bedford Park, occupying the house just vacated by Pinero. But curiously enough, instead of pushing himself in London, and cultivating editors, his natural modesty led him to remain

in retirement, staying at home, writing—and once not leaving the house for three months; indeed, during the whole of his life in London he never made the acquaintance of a single literary man, though he knew most of the young Chelsea artists. He simply stuck to his work. That he gained as many as eleven photographic medals in 1886, and with what was often called "heretical work," was elected on the Council of the Photographic Society, and made a judge at the Photographic Exhibition at Pall Mall in this year, shows that Emerson had "arrived," and after a swift journey to the front. But this success had its dark side; plagiarists sprang up among low born and dishonest upstarts, old-fashioned and pompous "authorities" were outraged and got jealous, and then began, in what was at that time a 'reptile" press, anonymous attacks and abuse. But Emerson soon proved he could fight as well as he could photograph, and he punished his enemies for libel and gibe, lie and innuendo, ignorance and traduction, with a pen veritably dipped in gall. He finally won his battles, but he would have done better to ignore the vulgar abuse and plagiarism of his work and ideas, for all the "brains" of the photographic world at home and abroad were with him.

Dr. Emerson's Pleasure Wherry, *Maid of the Mist.*
[1888.]

This same year the Autotype published a portfolio of prints, "Idyls of the Norfolk Broads," and Emerson was awarded the only silver medal for landscape at the Edinburgh Exhibition; but as he remarked, bitterly, "being a Scotch Exhibition, the silver medal was awarded in *paper*."

"Life and Landscape" was through the press in November, but its publication was unwisely delayed until the new year.

At this time there was a proposal for Emerson to photograph the birds and beasts at the Zoo., on which his friend A. H. Evans was to write a book. Professor Newton was delighted with the idea, but no publisher being willing to take the work, it fell through.

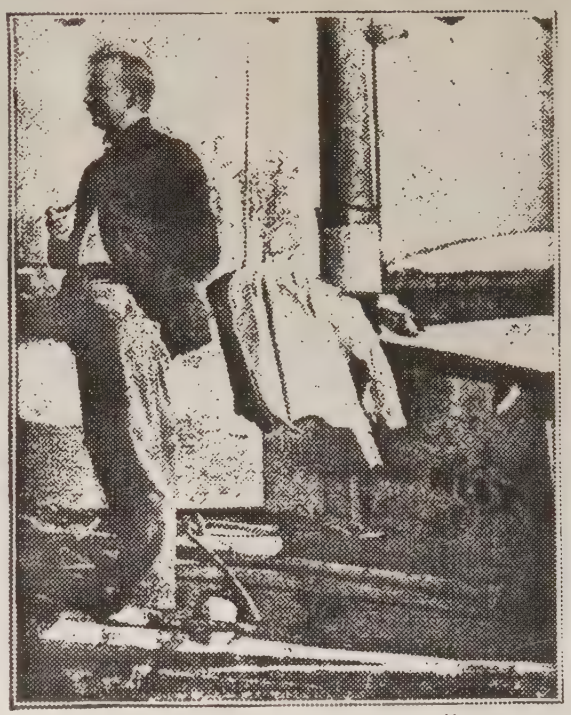
The early spring of 1887 Emerson spent at Rye House and the neighbourhood, executing a commission for illustrations to R. B. Marston's centenary edition of "The Complete Angler." Emerson did the Lea portion, and the old and new style of photography can be nicely compared in this edition, the Derbyshire photographs being the work of an expert of the old "sharp school." During this stay at Rye House Emerson began to write his "Nature Stories, Myths and Phantasies."

But the Norfolk Broads still held sway over him, and in the following June we find him buying the old hulk on which the *Maid of the Mist* was afterwards built, and whose career is so graphically described in "On English Lagoons." In July Emerson had finished the MS. of "Pictures of East Anglian Life," and then went to join his friend T. F. Goodall in his house-boat on Breydon Water, and here stayed until September, Goodall painting or going photographing with Emerson, while Emerson alternated photographing with writing "Wild Life on a Tidal Water," and finished his "Nature Stories." His "Wild Life" is, many think, the happiest of his works.

In the autumn his methods had so far triumphed that his "Poacher" was medalled at the Pall Mall show, whereupon Emerson decided not again to show for competition, for his object in competing had been to fight the old ideas, to make converts to the new by being medalled by artists, and he usually obtained chief honours where artists were the judges. Before the year was out he was correcting the proof of "Pictures of East Anglian Life," which had been accepted by Sampson Low & Co., and was, besides, writing articles for year books, and beginning a novel, "The Mate of the Silver Cloud," which, however, he abandoned for other work, and it was never finished.

Finding his photographic ideas were being misrepresented, he began to embody them in a book, "Naturalistic Photography," and for the first three months of this year he worked hard at this task, only seeing very few friends, one of whom was J. Havard Thomas, the sculptor. "The Idyls of the Norfolk Broads" were now published and well received. In order to thoroughly understand sculpture, Emerson now attended his friend Thomas' studio, and daily modelled, working hard for nearly three months. Thomas would have persuaded him to go in for sculpture, but Emerson preferred to keep to his work.

When in the summer of this year "Pictures of East Anglian Life" was published it caused considerable stir, and vexed the Tory reviewers by its grim humour and satire, so that the author got dubbed a socialist, though he laughed at socialism, and by temperament is exclusively aristocratic; but the gross inhumanity and greed of many of the upstart English landlords aroused his just ire, and as he has often said, when he compared this state of things with the humanity and kindness with which the work-people on his father's estate were treated, his indignation knew no bounds. Afterwards he came to modify some of his strictures printed in "Pictures of East Anglian Life," for up till then he had come across only landlords of the *nouveaux riches* or risen yeoman types, and he now confesses that many of the old county gentlemen are humane and kind; more, he says, than the now spoilt peasant deserves. To this experience is to be traced Emerson's youthful Liberalism; now he is an uncompromising Tory, Church matters excepted, his view of religion being uncompromisingly agnostic. Bismarck "without the religion" is his political ideal.



Dr. P. H. Emerson on his wherry, the *Maid of the Mist*, 1898.

Emerson, with Thomas, went to Paris to see the Salon, and on his return he competed for the presentation print of the Edinburgh Photographic Society, and his print, "A Suffolk Dike," was chosen, copies being presented to the members. Valentine, Sutcliffe and others had also competed.

About the same time Emerson was approached about writing a book on the Irish peasantry, but as he would not bind himself to see any particular side of Irish peasantry, nor yet write for party ends, the commission fell through. He tells me he was not much impressed by the brain force of the Irish M.P.s whom he met.

In August "Naturalistic Photography" was finished, and Emerson afterwards went off to the Broads again with his sculptor friend as a companion in his newly fitted up wherry *The Maid of the Mist*.

September, Emerson spent in London alone, and "English Idyls" was begun. Messrs. Sampson Low & Co. accepted "Naturalistic Photography," and it was printed in November, while at Christmas the centenary edition of Walton came out. I understand that this wonderfully beautiful work might have been much more beautiful but for the number of bad prints sent in by Messrs. Dawson.

Towards the end of the year we hear of him going to Holland for a short trip with Thomas, the sculptor, and Colls, the photo etcher.

"Field and Fen" was published this year, and through delay in the photo etching, some of Emerson's earliest plates (contained in "Field and Fen") were published after later plates (contained in "Life and Landscape").

In 1889 "Naturalistic Photography" was published. It would be impossible to describe the stir this book made in photographic circles, the bad blood it aroused, the fierce contentions, the immense amount of good it did; for though Emerson's photographs had really already worked

the revolution, this book told willing converts and opponents alike, in very forcible language, his reasons for his views and convinced some of them against their will. To outsiders no idea of the effect this book had can be conveyed; to photographers it is well known. A second edition was soon called for and Emerson had no time to make important revisions. He has often told me he was forced to write this book in self-defence, and had he been treated fairly he would have printed some matters as they appear in his revised third edition, now running through the pages of the *Photographic Times*. Emerson gave copies of "Pictures of East Anglian Life," or portfolios of the best of the prints, to every British Photographic Society and all foreign Societies so that the members might see examples of the tenets that he preached—thus everybody in the photographic world had specimens of his work before them in 1889, and a host of imitators and otherwise sprang up, but Emerson was the pioneer, the man who did the work in Great Britain, the Colonies, the United States and on the Continent. A few minor prophets then sprang up to try and rob him of his kudos, but the best photographers were too clear sighted, and now not one of the false prophets but is discredited; and the final triumph was in 1895, when the Royal Photographic Society presented him with its Progress Medal for artistic photography, the first time the medal had been awarded for anything but scientific advancement, and probably the last.

R. Hort. Soc. (Kelway Medal), 1894.
(For Gaillardias.)

Royal Cornwall, 1884. (For Instantaneous Photos.) Amateur Photo Exhib., London, 1885. Royal Hort. Soc., 1893, Banksian Medal. (For foreign vegetables grown in the open.)

Amateur Photo. Exhib., London. Amateur Photo Exhib., London. (Landscape and Figure Photos.) Operto Club, 1886. Progress Medal, Berlin, 1889. Amateur Photo. Exhib., London. (For Inst. Photos.) Royal Photo. Soc., 1895. Amateur Photo. Exhib., London. Figures, 1887. Dundee, 1886. Home Portraits.

Derby, 1886. A. Photographer, 1886. Amateur Photographic Prize Tour, 1886.

Broadstairs Rowing Club, Junior Four, 1894. Nottingham Castle, 1887. (For Photos.)

Edinburgh International Exhib., 1890, Silver Medal for Landscapes (presented on paper!).

Medals won by Dr. P. H. Emerson, 1884—1894.

From S. Low & Co. a book was published, the dainty "English Idyls," which brought a letter of admiration to the author from the fastidious Walter Pater. This little book soon passed into a second edition, and without doubt it belongs to literature and will live—the work of an artist who is also a scientific man and knower of nature, a rare combination.

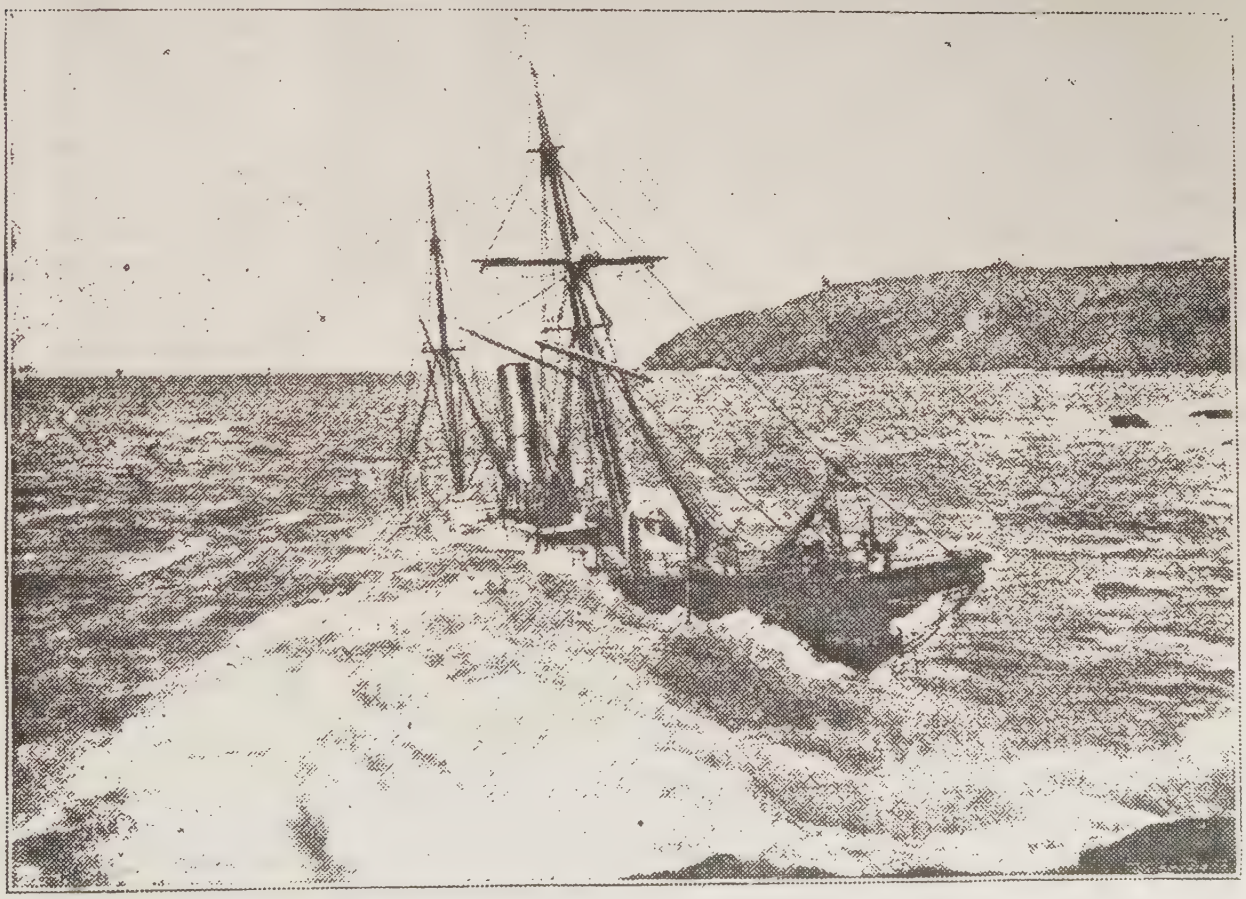
In January Emerson was asked to become a member of the Society of Arts and did so, but left it on account of prejudiced treatment later on. He read a suggestive paper on "Science and Art" at the Camera Club Conference there in March. This year the Edinburgh Society again chose one of his plates for their presentation print, "Gathering Water Lilies."

He much wished to start a new quarterly magazine, to be called *Nature and Art*, and got up a specimen copy, but as he wished everything to be in the best style, the publishers thought it would not pay, and the idea fell through. Besides all this work Emerson was hotly fighting the Philistines in the photographic press, including artists and among others Mr. Brett, A.R.A.

He joined the new Society of Authors about this time, which he subsequently left and then we find him taking his ease on the Norfolk Broads once more with his friend Thomas, and

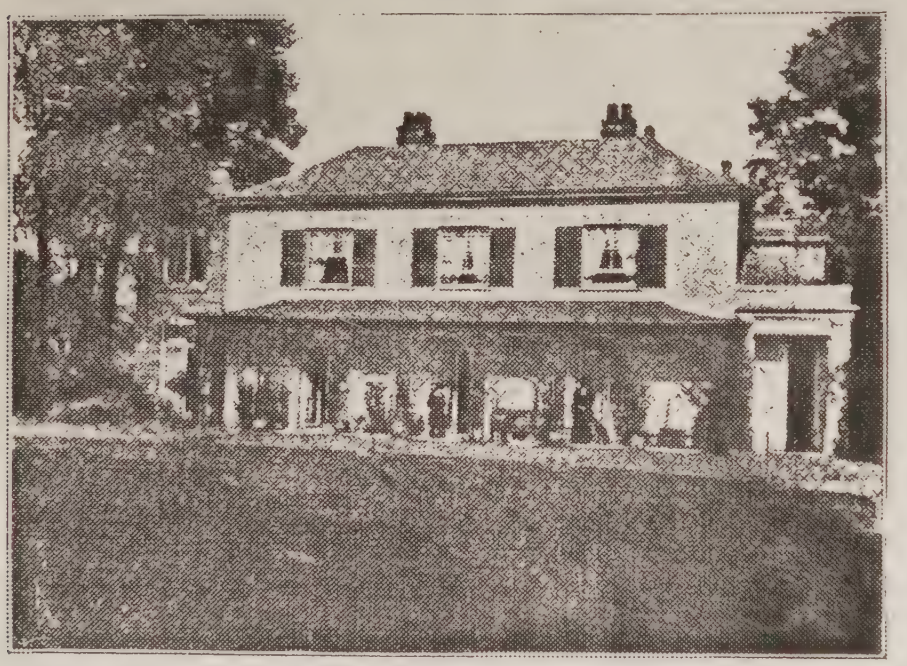
accepting the post of English correspondent to an American paper. On returning to town he also takes up photogravure, learning the process from Colls, going to his studio at Barnes daily, and at intervals writing articles to *Naturalists' Record*, and the *Camera Club Journal* and other papers, and then taking a short holiday in North Wales. In September his "Nature Stories, Myths and Phantasies" were published, and this same month the author went to Paris to see the pictures, and his criticism of the great exhibition pictures is that Scandinavia is the only country that has recently struck a new note in art. He wrote one or two critiques on pictures and reviewed one or two books, but soon gave this work up, considering it unnecessary, degrading and mean. In October he started with his friend Thomas for Italy, but was wrecked off Cape Cornwall, getting ashore with his clothes only, but losing all his property. However, nothing dashed they took the next vessel and reached Capri on Nov. 9th. There they lived, taking trips on the mainland, on one of which, the drive from Salerno to Pæstum, Emerson considers he saw the finest scenery of his lifetime. In January he returned to London, picking a patient up *en route*.

Dr. P. H. Emerson sailing his wherry, the *Maid of the Mist*, 1895.
(Will she weather the point?)



Wreck of Cunard S.S. *Malta* off Cape Cornwall.
(Photo. by Gibson & Sons, Penzance.)

The year 1890 was begun by writing an appreciation of Mrs. Cameron for "Sun Artists," refusing however to have his own photographs included in the series. Sampson Low had just accepted "Wild Life on a Tidal Water," and Emerson was soon busy correcting proofs and beginning "East Coast Yarns." In September he started on his year's cruise on the Broads, which voyage is graphically given in his charming "On English Lagoons," published by Mr. Nutt. He also contributed several letters to the *Fishing Gazette* during this voyage. The lonely life gave him ample time for deliberate thought, and it ended in his withdrawal of "Naturalistic Photography" *for revision*, for his researches into photography and nature on this trip led him to conclude that however charming photographs were, they were not art. Messrs. Hurter and Driffield's researches helped him also to form this opinion. A paper in the *Magazine of Art* and more letters to the *Fishing Gazette* include all his contributions to contemporary journalism at this time, but he was also hard at work during this year, 1890—91, writing his extraordinary novel of manners, "A Son of the Fens," a classic, and making studies for his "Birds, Beasts and Fishes of the Norfolk Broadland."



Claringbold, Broadstairs, residence of Dr. P. H. Emerson, 1892—95.

On his return the family left London for Southport, where they lived a few weeks and then moved to Beaumaris, North Wales, where he took Chancery House for six months, a house supposed to have been built with stolen *Royal Charter* money and to be therefore haunted, but no ghost is chronicled as appearing to Emerson. These were busy six months, for Emerson plunged into the Welsh folk and peasant lore with an ardour worthy of Grimm, collecting new Welsh fairy stories (up to then only four had been discovered) and collecting notes for two new books, "Welsh Wales" and "A Welsh Rover."

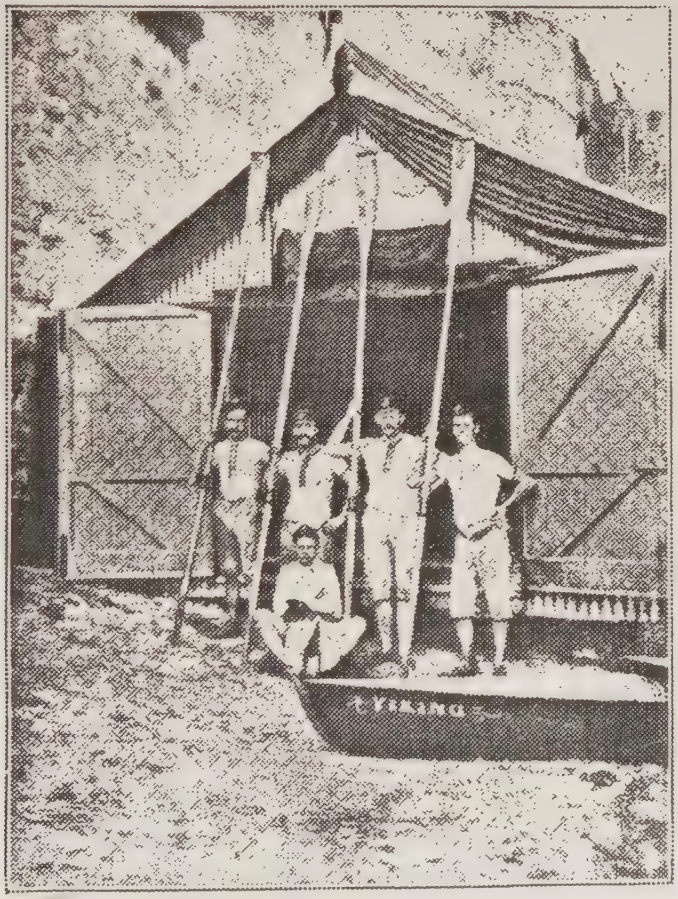
In the spring of 1892 he removed to Ramsgate, finding Wales too damp; he had had a mild attack of rheumatic fever while there. The famous Hickling Broad right of way trial now came off, Emerson giving evidence that Hickling Broad was tidal, but the judge gave the fishing and shooting against the public, but allowed the right of sailing. Emerson was most indignant at this miscarriage of justice, for the whole question turned on whether or not the waters are tidal, and he maintains they are distinctly so, and moreover that tides do not follow the recognized mathematical theories. Lovers of Ramsgate will be delighted to learn that Emerson considers it the ugliest and dullest seaside he ever visited. He took a charming house, formerly occupied by Mrs. Lyne Stephens, Claringbold, at Broadstairs, and with his usual energy threw himself heart and soul into gardening, and with this new occupation and his "Birds, Beasts and Fishes" passed the summer and autumn.

At Easter, 1893, Emerson formed one of a crew to row a four-oared galley from Dover to Broadstairs, and this he did when out of training and though he had been in the house nearly all the winter writing. He was one of the founders of the new Broadstairs Rowing Club. A few weeks after he rowed a fixed-seat four from Herne Bay to Broadstairs with a

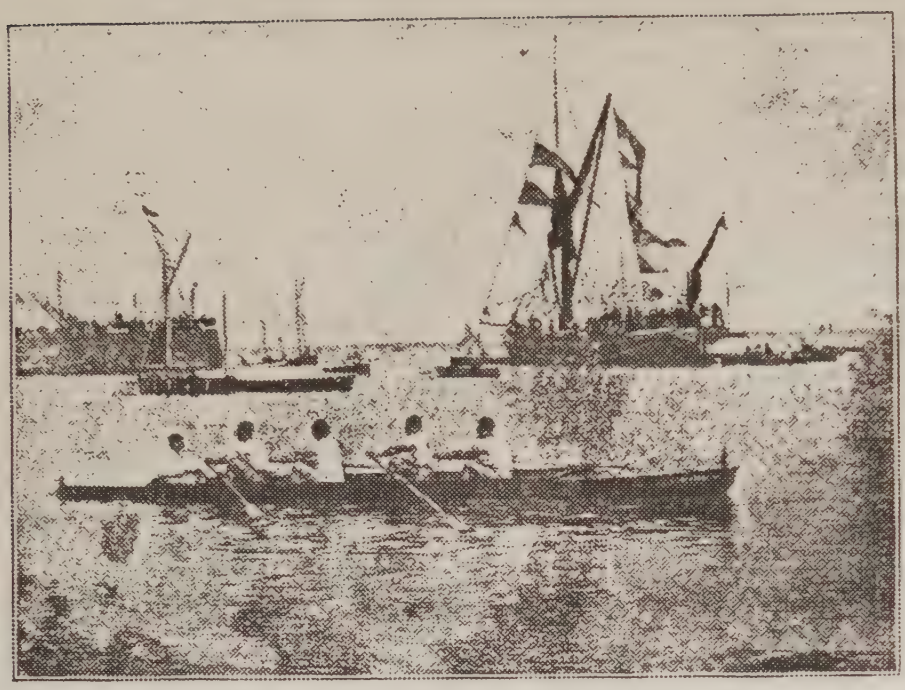
crew of three. During the summer he wrote several short stories and went into training for the Broadstairs Regatta, in which he rowed in a pair oar in the wherry boats let out by the fishermen, he and his partner winning the first prize easily. Then he went back to the Broads for a last cruise in his wherry, which he afterwards sold; so the *Maid of the Mist* passed into other hands.

Dr. P. H. Emerson sailing on Oulton Broad, 1893.
J. Emery. P. H. Emerson.

In the autumn of 1893 Emerson began "Caóba, the Guerilla Chief," on the advice of Prof. York-Powell, who is a great admirer of "The Son of the Fens," which was published in 1892. This year also "English Lagoons" was published, and like the author's previous books was received most cordially by the best critics. The following year he published "Welsh Fairy Tales" and "Tales from Welsh Wales," and during the same year he finished writing "Caóba." At the same time he was elected Captain of the Broadstairs Rowing Club, and by his untiring energy got together money for two racing galleys, and got into rough shape two crews for the south coast regattas, himself rowing three in the first boat. These races, rowed as they are on courses of four to six miles, half of which is against the tides, are a much stiffer trial than the Inter-University Race. Emerson's crews did well—the first boat winning five prizes and the second carrying off the Novice Challenge Cup at Brighton Regatta. Emerson also as Secretary of the Broadstairs Regatta organized a very spirited and successful regatta, Emerson and a friend, also an old Cambridge man, winning easily the race for pair-oared galleys from four other crews. The sea was so rough that day that some of the small yachts dared not sail, and a characteristic true story is told at Broadstairs of this race. Emerson's partner in the pair-oared skiff at first rowed timidly, being unaccustomed to such rough seas, and they fell behind to last. Emerson burst out with a long list of expletives winding up with "What in the —— does it matter if you are drowned?". Thus exorcised, the rower pulled himself together and the pair soon passed all their rivals and won the race by one minute and fifteen seconds from the second boat. And as this was Em-



Broadstairs Rowing Club, 1894, First Boat.
G. Fuggle (Bow). W. J. Philipson (2). P. H. Emerson (3). G. Westall (Stroke).
G. Stannard (Cox). (*Captain*).



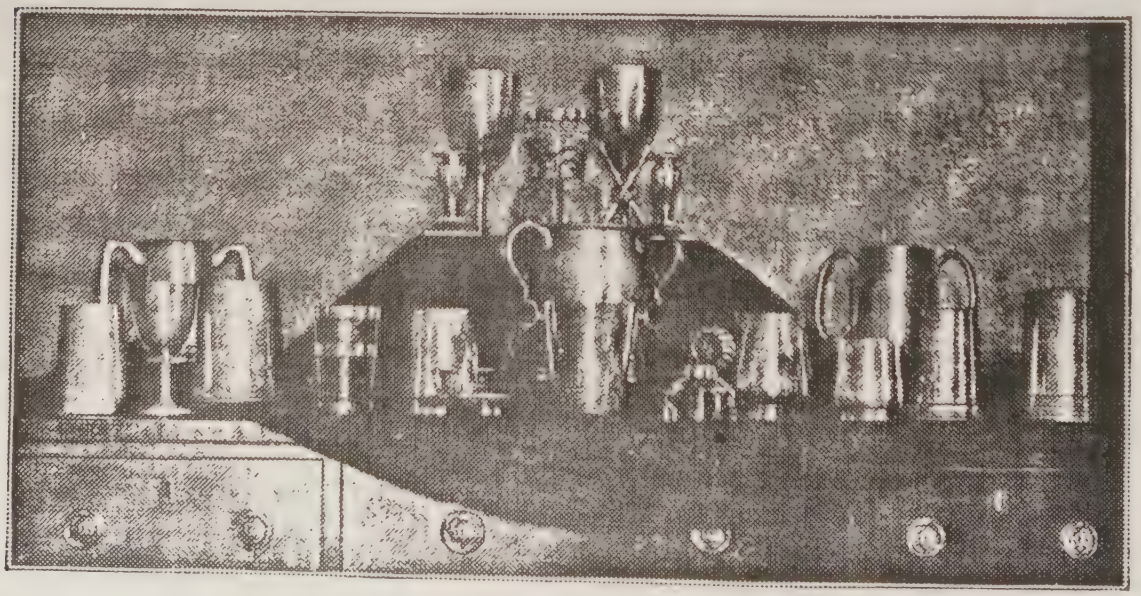
Broadstairs Regatta, 1894.

Broadstairs Rowing Club First Boat, Winners of "Junior Fours," open to the coast.
G. Stannard (Cox). G. Wastall (Stroke). P. H. Emerson (3). W. J. Phillipson (2). G. Fuggle (Bow).
(*Captain.*)

erson's last appearance as an athletic competitor we have induced him to let us give a photograph of his prizes. It must be remembered he was over forty when he won the last prizes for sea rowing on long and stiff courses.

Yet another side to this many-sided man comes to the fore this year, for we hear of him obtaining two medals for horticulture; one, the Banksian Medal of the Royal Horticultural Society for foreign vegetables grown in the open, and the Kelway Medal for gaillardias. Both these medals were due to Emerson's personal efforts, as he had only a labourer gardener to carry out his instructions. Emerson also knows his botany, and has often been asked why he does not write upon wild flowers. He says except in masses he thinks them insignificant, and this "weed admiration is mere hysteria," he preferring in flowers art or garden flowers to nature or weeds.

Thinking probably that there was no end to his energy and recognizing perhaps the stuff

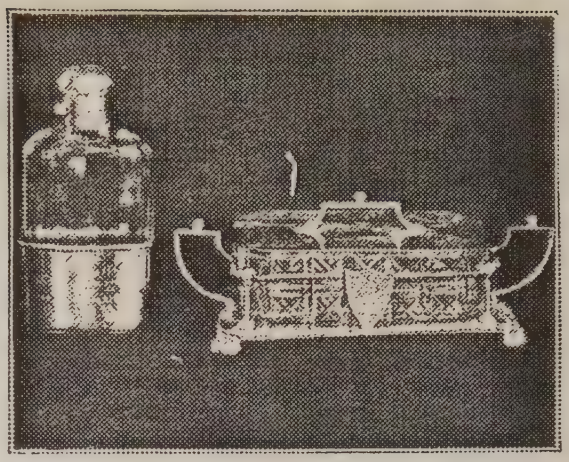


Athletic Prizes won by P. H. Emerson for Rowing, Running, Rifle-shooting, Throwing Cricket-ball and Tug-of-war.
(1873—1894.)

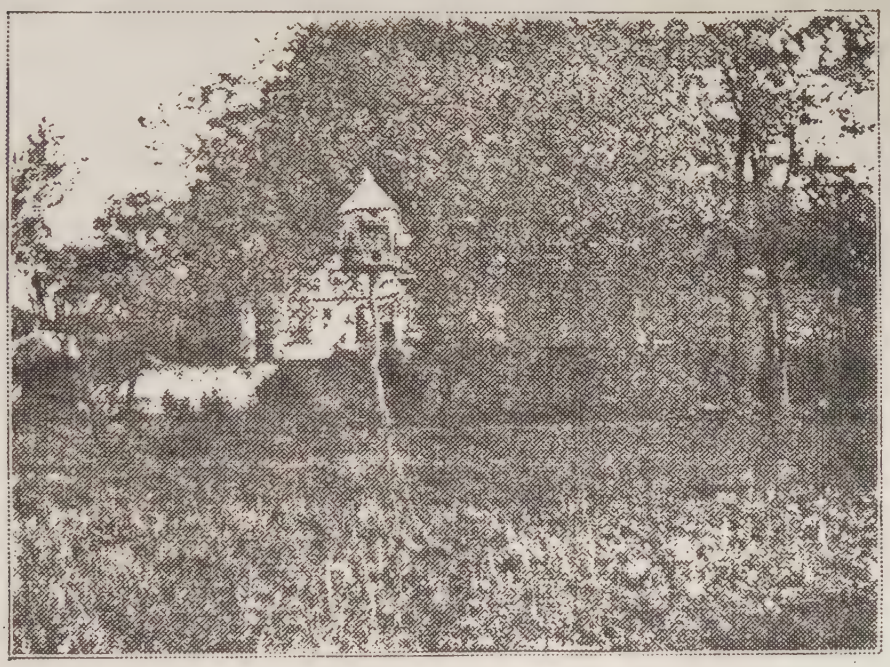
that reformers are made of, the inhabitants of Broadstairs asked Emerson to stand for the District Council; but Emerson had decided to leave the neighbourhood and in January, 1895, he moved to Lowestoft and joined the Norfolk and Suffolk Yacht Club. He was already a member of the Royal Corinthian Yacht Club. Early this same year he was awarded the Progress Medal of the Royal Photographic Society.

We find him joining the Norfolk Naturalists Society, and he sent them a paper, but the Editing Committee so stupidly mangled the paper that Emerson determined never to send them another line.

"Birds, Beasts and Fishes of the Norfolk Broadland" saw the light this year, and later



Strangers' Race 1st Prize, C.S.A.C., 1874.
Three-legged Race 2nd Prize, B.A.S., 1874. } Won by P. H. Emerson.



Gardens of "Claringbold," Broadstairs, residence of Dr. P. H. Emerson (1892—95).

"Marsh Leaves," this latter containing some most enchanting photographs and writing.

Fresh interests being necessary to this versatile mind, we find golf and cycling are his new pastimes; but he never waxed enthusiastic over either sport, the water proving more attractive. Golf he describes as an excuse for "walking," and cycling he disliked, as he is a hater of roads—"dust, horse manure and ragged hedge-rows," as he describes them. He had a Daimler motor launch built in which he cruised about the Broads. The build of the boat, however, and the uncertainty of the engines led him to get rid of her after a short time.

In the following year he removed to The Nook, Oulton Broad, close to the site of George Borrows' old house.

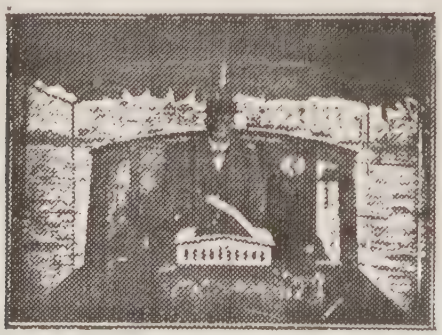
While at Lowestoft Emerson had made the acquaintance of Colonel Steel, of the Royal Engineers, who was a keen genealogist, and as Emerson had been asked by an American cousin to look up a few facts about his family, he was persuaded to go into the family history. With his usual energy and thoroughness he began at once to dig deeply into the subject.

Photo *E. Steel.*
North Cliff Lodge (the end house), Lowestoft, the residence of Dr. P. H. Emerson (Jan., 1895—Apr., 1896).

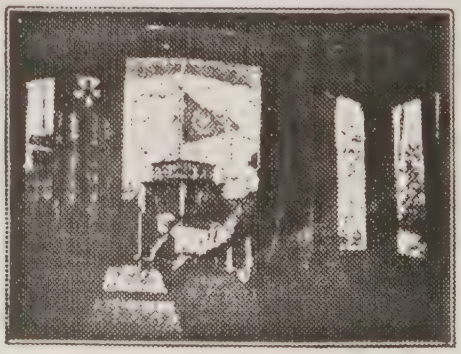
JUDGES ROYAL PHOTO SOCIETY EXHIBITION, 1895.
Andrew Pringle.
J. B. Wellington. P. H. Emerson. F. Hollyer. J. Gale. F. Sutcliffe. Chapman-Jones.
(Photo by R. Child-Bayley, Assist. Sec., R.P.S.)

For three years he worked almost incessantly at "The English Emersons," almost giving up exercise for the time—indeed, for the last year never going out of the grounds of The Nook. Besides this work we find him contributing collections of words to Prof. Wright's new "Dialect Dictionary," correcting proofs for third edition of "Naturalistic Photography" for *Photographic Times* and doing other literary work.

"Caóba, the Guerilla Chief," was published in 1897, and a second edition was quickly called for.



DR. P. H. EMERSON steering Launch *Wagtail*, 1895.



DR. EMERSON'S Daimler Launch *Wagtail*, 1896.

Besides attending the Photographic Convention in 1897, and leading a steamer load of photographers to Oulton Broad, Emerson did little in photography this year except making some experiments with new lenses.

The Nook, Oulton Broad, residence of Dr. P. H. Emerson, 1896.

What Emerson will do next after this onerous and arduous work on "The English Emersons" is not known. He tells me that genealogical work is the hardest, most heart-breaking and exhausting work he has ever done, and that after these three years of "penal servitude" in the cause which has exhausted him and his pockets of his holiday allowances, he will have earned a holiday.

It is not our purpose to write an appreciation of Emerson, but we venture to say that some books and many photographs have never been surpassed in their line, and few equalled, and that some of his books will live as literature and become better known in years to come. He would have been more

Zoë Orchis Emerson, 1895, æt. 2 yrs. 9 mos.

Dr. P. H. Emerson, 1896.

Bas-Relief of Dr. P. H. Emerson,
By J. Harvard Thomas.
(1888.)

magazines, which bring into notoriety and hold up for admiration false gods. He feels that England will become a second-rate power, unless the present "greed for gold" is stamped out, and men learn that *noblesse oblige* has some meaning, and that wealth is the last thing to be regarded in the estimate of a person. All weak and diseased should be forbidden marriage by law, and that for the sane and healthy polygamy is advisable. He believes in the "strong hand" in politics, and that we should hold integrity and honour beyond all other virtues, for he finds that clever and brave men are common enough, genial men abound, but the really chivalrously honourable men are the rarest and the most valuable gold of the State. Cant he looks upon as the prevailing sin of to-day, cant and petticoat government and the allowing "the fool to have his say." His disgust at the eulogies on Mr. Gladstone knew no bounds, for he regards "Professor Gladstone" exactly as did Bismarck, and says he was of the barren type that are a curse to this country—the *learned bourgeoiserie*. He thinks the populace is being "over-educated," and that for the bulk of them popular already had he not had the honest knack of calling a spade a spade. We should like to see a popular edition of his books with all such "spade a spade" portions cut out, and think it would pay any publisher to print such an edition in cheap form, could he obtain the author's sanction, for plagiarists and imitators of his work are already cropping up in journalism.

When one reviews his past life one cannot but be struck by the strength and the versatile strength of the man's character and physique. Truly nothing short of a Prime Minister's work would have satisfied his craving for doing.

At The Nook his youngest child Ralf was born, and one cannot do better than finish this short record with photographs of his youngest child Ralf, and a bas-relief of himself cut in the "living marble" from life, by his friend J. H. Thomas, in 1888. His eldest son has adopted engineering as a profession, and his daughters are good violinists for their age, being pupils of Mr. C. Gang, and Sybil is a very promising art student, the pupil of Mr. T. F. Goodall.

Dr. Emerson's views on some matters may be of interest. In art teaching he thinks we should revert to the old apprentice system, and that none should adopt the profession unless he gives early promise of success. Literature he considers is being ruined by journalism and

Zöe Orchis Emerson, *æt.* 5 years (July, 1898)

the three R's should be taught, the clever ones alone being pushed on, and he says in rural districts about 12 per cent. of the children belong to this class. Socialism he considers a dream fit for the angels. And, finally, he believes the United States of America will be masters of the world before the year 2000, for, he says, people in this country are forgetting how to work, and traces much of our degeneracy, in this respect, to the public schools and other educational systems.

A. A.

Kelly, 1896.—Emersons 7, Emmerson 1, Embersons 0 = 8.

XIII.

Co. Bedford.

(1) *John Bolton Emmerson, M.D. (Dur.), Biggleswade.*

(i.) John Emmerson, of Chester-le-Street. Accidentally drowned whilst bathing at South Shields in 1857. He was married, and *ob.* intestate, and the law proceedings were conducted before Thomas *Emerson* Headlam. He probably married a Miss Lovely, and they had issue :—

R. B. Emerson, æt. 12 months (July, 1898).

(ii.) William Lindsay Emmerson, b. Dec. 27, 1820. William Lindsay, named after an uncle Lindsley or Lindsay, a shipowner, was a Doctor of Medicine of Aberdeen, and m. Alice Adams Bolton, eldest dau. of Dr. Bolton, of Ebchester. *Vide* obituary from *Lancet.*

The death of Dr. Emmerson, at the age of seventy-two, occurred on Wednesday, the 17th inst. He had suffered for two or three years past from painful bladder and kidney troubles, and latterly had been in the habit of taking chloral freely. His nervous system was always highly sensitive, and in his earlier days he suffered more intense migraine than falls to the lot of most men. In the intervals he was a most cheerful and almost brilliant man, with wide scientific knowledge and sympathies. A little after the middle period of life the intense headache ceased to trouble him, and he developed regular gouty attacks. Dr. Emmerson was born in Chester-le-Street, and after holding the appointment of surgeon to the Consett Ironworks, Shotley Bridge, and later practising in North Shields, he went to Leicester to practise. There his knowledge of chemistry and microscopy stood him in good stead, and he was appointed public analyst to the counties of Leicester, Northampton and Rutland. While in practice in North Shields he published statistics of 1000 obstetric cases in the Report of the North of England Medical Society for 1855. He was a very versatile man and could range over any kind of subject with a certain speculative interest. It was probably in this sort of way that at a certain time of his life he dabbled in homœopathy; but he was too acute a man and too conscious of the great lines of medical science to depart seriously from them. In private life he was kind and sociable. He married in early life Miss Bolton, the daughter of an able practitioner in Ebchester, near Newcastle-on-Tyne. Mrs. Emmerson, greatly esteemed and beloved by all who knew her, died some years ago, to the great loss of Dr. Emmerson and his many children.

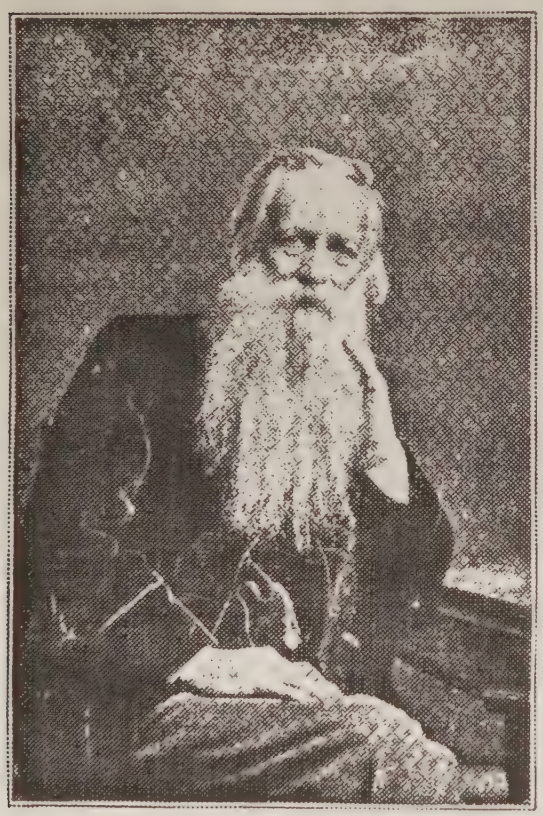
Dr. and Mrs. Emmerson had issue :—(1) Amelia Lindsley Emmerson, b. April 7, 1846, m. Dec. 1866, Alfred Densham, founder of the "Mazawattee Co." (2) Mary Margaret, b. Mar. 13, 1848, *ob.* Nov. 14, 1864. (3) Rosa Alice, b. Jan. 9, 1850, m. Benjamin Densham, brother of the above. (4) William Lindsley, Lic. Med. Durham, M.R.C.S. and L.S.A. Newcastle Infirmary and Westminster Hospital, b. Dec. 9, 1851, practised at Syston, Newcastle, Waltham near Melton, and now at Leicester; m. Sarah Norton, of Syston, and has issue. (5) John Bolton, b. Aug. 19, 1853 (*vide infra*). (6) Frederick A. Bolton, b. July 1, 1855, *ob.* July, 1868, unmarried. (7) Florence, b. Feb. 15, 1857; living in South Africa. (8) Kate, b. Jan. 24, 1859, m. W. Shenton, mining engineer of Johannesburg. (9) Nina Frances, b. May 15, 1863, living in Leicester. (10) Henry Percy, b. Feb. 9, 1865, *ob.* 1866.

(iii.) John Bolton Emmerson, M.D. (Durham), b. Aug. 19, 1853. Educated at Newcastle

Grammar School, and at Newcastle and St. Bartholomew's Hospitals. M.R.C.S. and L.S.A. Gained Durham University scholarship in 1871, and medals in practical chemistry and medicine. House surgeon to Jarrow Hospital and afterwards in a colonial line of steamers. M. 1883 Kate Harvey, dau. of Joseph Harvey, solicitor, Leicester, and has issue:—(1) Constance Mary, b. Dec. 11, 1883. (2) Cuthbert Lindsay, b. Feb. 2, 1890. (3) Phyllis Kate, b. June 1, 1892. The name has been indifferently spelt Emerson or Emmerson at Chester-le-Street; claims no arms. Signed, J. B. Emmerson, M.D., Biggleswade, July 4, 1896.

Dr. Emmerson has kindly communicated particulars concerning his father's cousin, H. H. Emmerson, a northern artist of considerable repute. I am especially indebted to Dr. Emmerson for these particulars and the photograph.—P. H. E.

(i.) Henry Hetherington Emerson was my father's cousin. He was the son of Joseph Emmerson, of Chester-le-Street, who married Catherine Hetherington at St. John's, Newcastle, on Nov. 5th, 1826. They had issue *inter alia*:—



H. H. Emmerson, artist, ob. 1895.

(ii.) Henry Hetherington (artist), b. at Chester-le-Street, Nov. 11th, 1831, m. Mary Bolton, of Ebchester, Aug. 12, 1857. They left issue:—(1) Mary May, spinster, b. May 28, 1858. (2) Kate, m. Dawson, b. Nov. 8, 1859. (3) Henry Bewick, m. ?, b. July 24, 1861. (4) Hugh Percy, b. Feb. 16, 1865. (5) Amy Densham, m Sinclair, b. Feb. 11, 1867. (6) Edith Bolton, spinster, b. Aug. 27, 1870. (7) Gertrude Miller, spinster, b. July 25, 1872.

Lord Armstrong was very friendly to him, bought many of his pictures, and gave him a house, "Tossen Towers," Rothbury, rent free. He taught Henry, who has since become well known as a sea painter. For a time he lived at Stocksfield-on-Tyne, and finally at Cullercoats. He was a great athlete in youth, and a few days before his death, went to London and back in *one* day to witness a football match. H. H. Emmerson was well known as a runner, having won many prizes, and up to the day of his death could out-run many people.—J. B. E.

OBITUARY NOTICE FROM THE "ILLUSTRATED LONDON NEWS."

An artist whose reputation in the North was extremely high has died in Henry Hetherington Emmerson. He was born at Chester-le-Street in 1831, of a family which claimed Ralph Waldo Emerson as a descendant. While learning the art of engraving at Newcastle he displayed such artistic skill that he became a pupil at the Government School of Art under Mr. W. B. Scott. By the generosity of a clergyman young Emmerson enjoyed six months' study in Paris. Subsequently he entered the Royal Academy school and devoted himself especially to the study of children. In many Royal Academy Exhibitions Mr. Emmerson's pictures attracted popularity. "The Queen's Letter," "The Critics," "The First Suit," were all conceived in so sympathetic a spirit that they speedily found warm admirers. Portraitures came easily to Mr. Emmerson, who painted, among others, pictures of the late Marquis of Salisbury and Lord Armstrong. One of his last works was entitled "Girl's Nursery," and depicted children of all races gathered together. Mr. Emmerson was in younger days a fine athlete. At Cullercoats, where he died on Aug. 28, he was one of the best known and esteemed residents.

OBITUARY FROM THE "NEWCASTLE DAILY JOURNAL."

Death of Mr. H. H. Emmerson. A Tyneside Artist's Career.

At nine o'clock this morning Mr. H. H. Emmerson, the well-known artist, passed quietly away at his residence, 16, John Street, Cullercoats. He was 64 years of age. He leaves a widow and a grown-up family of two sons, both of whom follow their father's profession, and five daughters. . . . The remains of the deceased artist will be interred at Preston Cemetery, North Shields, on Sunday afternoon, though whether the funeral will be of a public or private character has not been decided. At Cullercoats Look-out House this morning the flag was hoisted half mast in token of respect to the memory of the deceased.

Mr. Henry Hetherington Emmerson was born at Chester-le-Street in 1831. He may be said to have sprung from an illustrious family, both Emerson the philosopher and Emerson the mathematician, although the names are spelt differently, belonged to the same family which was originally located at Hurworth-on-Tees. Mr. Emmerson was born with a genius for his art, and in his earliest years used to devote long hours to drawing. It is a remarkable circumstance that in spite of his close application to that sedentary amusement, young Henry also excelled in athletic sports. Indeed, when ten years old he was accounted the fastest runner of his age in the world, and a public challenge from him to run any lad of his age met with no response. When he had barely entered his teens Emmerson created quite a sensation in his own countryside by executing with pencil and brush a faithful representation of the village barber. That important person ignorantly imagined himself aggrieved thereby, although the picture was not at all in the nature of

a cartoon, and tried his utmost to get hold of the little work of art in order to destroy it. He was frustrated in his design, but the irate barber's daughters avenged their father's grievance by pouncing unexpectedly upon the lad one night and giving him a severe pummelling. When Emmerson was thirteen it was thought desirable that he should have the best available instruction to be obtained in the district. Accordingly he was sent to Newcastle, where he studied under Mr. W. B. Scott, Principal of the Government School of Art. After two and a half years' tuition under Mr. Scott, who took a great interest in his promising pupil, young Emmerson took an important step. His talents had attracted the notice of a clergyman, who sent him to Paris for six months. At the French capital the artist occupied his time in making copies of paintings in the Louvre. At the termination of the six months he went to London and copied subjects in the National Gallery. In due time he succeeded in gaining admission to the Royal Academy as a pupil. Having his living to earn as well as his studies to prosecute, the young man endured not a little hardship and privation during the earlier part of his residence in the metropolis, but after a while he received introductions to many noble patrons, from whom he received commissions. Among them was the Marquis of Salisbury, father of the present premier. He had gained a reputation for his skill in painting children and orders poured in to him. One of his pictures, "The Village Tailor," was accepted at the Royal Academy about this time. The great writer on art, Mr. John Ruskin, had noticed some of Emmerson's pictures very favourably. Emmerson left the metropolis, came north and settled at Ebchester, where he met the lady who became his wife. The first ten years of his married life he spent at Stocksfield-on-Tyne, where he painted many important works, several of which were accepted at the Royal Academy. Among the products of his brush while residing in that village were "The Queen's Letter," which depicted an incident connected with the Hartley Colliery disaster, "A Foreign Invasion" and "The Branks" (the two latter being purchased by Sir William Armstrong), and "The Critics," the engravings of which commanded a very large sale. Having received several commissions from Sir William Armstrong, which rendered it necessary that he should reside in the neighbourhood of Craigside, Mr. Emmerson removed to Tosson, near Rothbury. There he painted the portrait of Lord Armstrong which was exhibited at the Newcastle Jubilee Exhibition; "Johnnie Armstrong's Return," now at Jesmond; "Faithful Unto Death" and many others. For many years Mr. Emmerson has resided at Cullercoats, and it may be imagined that the fisherfolk and the fine seascape there have afforded him abundant subjects for his brush. The venerable-looking artist, who was of a genial, happy disposition, was very popular among the seaside residents, being known personally to nearly all, young and old. He was a very warm lover of his art, and used to work at his easel from eight o'clock each morning, and sometimes much earlier, till nine at night. Previous to his illness he was engaged on a companion picture to his "God's Nursery," to be named "The Shadow of the Cross," and also with some Shakespearean subjects for one of the Newcastle theatres. Only the day before he was incapacitated from work he had completed some alterations to the portrait of the late Mr. Shotton, which hangs in the Free Library, at North Shields, and which was one of Mr. Emmerson's works. The portrait of Mr. Joseph M. Moore, the ex-town clerk of South Shields, which hangs in the South Shields Council Chamber, was painted by Mr. Emmerson a few years ago, at the time when Mr. Moore was severing his long and honourable connection with the Corporation. Mr. Emmerson was widely and favourably known for the ready and valuable assistance he was always willing to render to young and struggling artists or to any institution of an artistic and educational character. He was one of the founders of the Berwick Club, established in Newcastle about fourteen years ago, and was elected its first President, a position he has ever since held. He also rendered valuable aid in founding the South Shields Art Club, of which he was a Vice-President, whilst of the Tynemouth Art Club he was also a warm supporter. The deceased gentleman never lost that interest in athletics which has already been referred to. There was no more ardent admirer of the Rockcliff Football Team, and whether they played at home or visited other clubs in the neighbourhood Mr. Emmerson rarely missed their matches, which he followed with a keen relish and close knowledge of the game.

An exhibition of his collected works was held at Newcastle, December, 1895, the artist having died on August 28, 1895. In the catalogue of the exhibition fuller details are given as to his life and work, which we have no space to incorporate. Mr. H. H. Emmerson claimed relationship with Ralph Waldo Emerson, and though, doubtless, he came of the same original stock, as do all real Emersons, the relationship was probably very remote; at least, no proof whatever has been adduced to the contrary. The photograph, however, shows a family likeness to Emersons we have seen, and the Chester-le-Street Emmersons were doubtless originally *Emerysons*, and not Emmesons (*vide* Cursitor Rolls, etc.). On the athletic side of his character, the old forester blood comes out.—P. H. E.

Kelly, 1894.—Emerson 1, Emmerson 1, Embersons 0 = 2.

XIV.

Co. Essex.

(1) *H. J. Emerson, of Billericay.*

(i.) Henry Emerson, owner of property in Capel, Suffolk, *circa* 1750 took Lynd's Hall, Edwardstone, Suffolk. He had issue:—

(ii.) (1) Henry Emerson, b. at Lynd's Hall. (2) William. (3) Thomas. (4) Joseph. (5) John. (6) Martha. (7) Mary Anne. (8) Elizabeth. (9) Emily. Henry had issue:—

(iii.) (1) Henry John Emerson (the contributor), *æt.* 60, b. at Bildestone. (2) William. (3) John. (4) Joseph. Moved to and has lived at Billericay 40 years. Claims no arms. Family came from Suffolk. Signed, H. J. Emerson, Southend and Billericay, July, 1896.

(2) *H. R. Emmerson, of Leyton.*

(i.) Grandfather was a citizen and salter of London.

(ii.) H. R. Emmerson, Leyton (?), of H.M. Customs. Has issue:—

(iii.) Rev. G. T. Emmerson, of Preston, Lancs. His grandfather spelt his name Emerson, and it was always a disputed point which was correct, one or two m's. The family came from East Yorkshire, and claims no arms. Signed, H. R. Emmerson, Aug. 17, 1896.

(3) *A. Churchill Emerson, of Leyton.*

(i.) Arthur Emerson, m. Margaret Alderson, of Richmond (Yorks). Had issue:—

(ii.) (1) Arthur William, ? *ob.* 1847; he left issue (*vide infra*). (2) Margaret, living 1847. (3) George, who went to Jamaica, living 1847. (4) Richard, living 1847. (5) Margaret. (6) Georgina. Both residing at Debenham, in Suffolk; living 1847. Arthur William left issue:—

(iii.) (1) A. Churchill (the contributor), b. at Camberwell, 1849. Has always spelt the name Emerson, and thinks the family came from Richmond (Yorkshire), but is not sure; no arms. Signed, A. C. Emerson, Leyton, July 4, 1896.

Kelly, 1895.—Emersons 3, Emmersons 0, Embersons 4 = 7.

XV.

London and Middlesex.

(1) *William Emerson, of London and Brixton Hill.*

(i.) Thomas Emerson, settled at Benton or Howe, Cumberland, and owned considerable property, which he left to Lord Lowther, m. Hoodless, who was a connection of Capel Atkinson. They left issue:—(1) Thomas, D.S.P. (2) John, went to U.S.A., *æt.* 21, and died soon after arrival. (3) Isabella, D.S.P. (4) Richard, m. Sarah Quish (*vide infra*), b. 1817 near Carlisle. (5) William, D.S.P.

(ii.) Richard m. Sarah Quish, and left issue:—(1) Mary Elizabeth. (2) Isabella. (3) John, *ob.* 1885; issue, Richard Wilfrid and Ralph Waldo. (4) Margaret. (5) Laura. (6) William (the contributor), b. 1865. (7) Edith.

(iii.) William (the contributor) m. Frances Eleanor Busby in July, 1895. Tradition that family originally came from Co. Durham, and is related to William Emerson, the mathematician. Were all fine men. Eldest uncle was known throughout Cumberland as an excellent wrestler and runner, one of the best in the county. Took third prize in wrestling at Carlisle when 17, open to the county. Always spelt the name Emerson; claims no arms. Signed, William Emerson, London, W., July 6, 1896.

(2) *H. Emmerson, of Lambeth.*

Informs me that "our family name is spelt Emmerson, 'Yorkshire,' not Emerson, 'American,' two distinct families." This history will show this contributor the dangers of dogmatism.—P. H. E.

(3) *G. Emberson, London, S.W.*

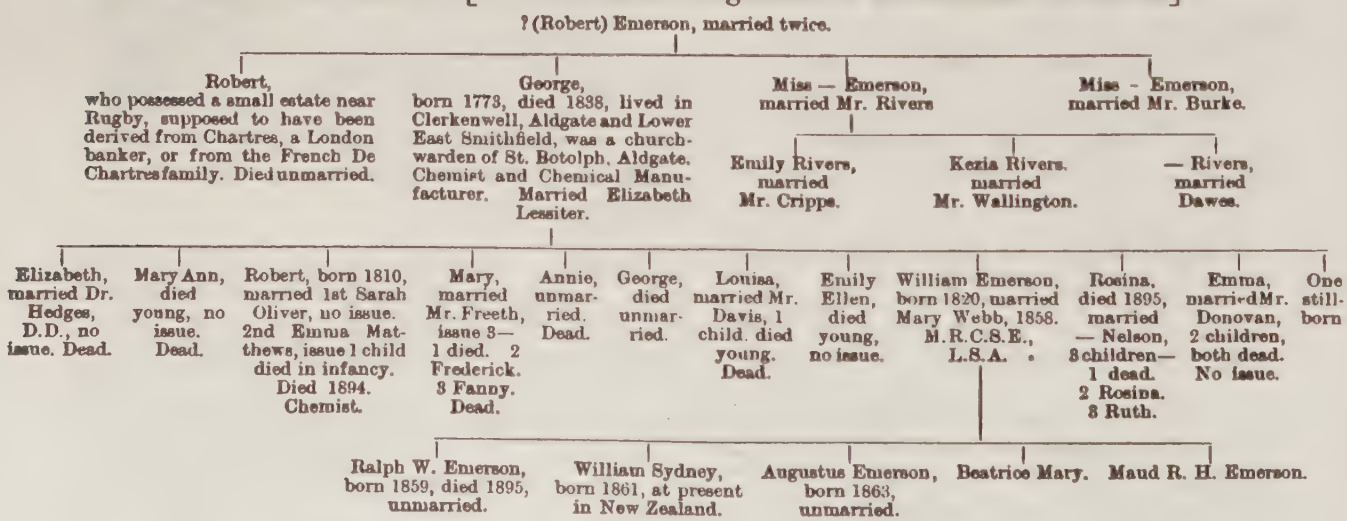
Family originated at Long Sutton, Co. Lincoln. Has always spelt the name Emberson; claims no arms.

(4) *Martha Emerson, spinster, London, W.*

Family belonged to Lincolnshire; no particulars given. Has heard a tradition that the family came over with Canute. No arms.

(5) *Augustus Emerson, London, N.W.*

So far as he knows, the family have always been Londoners, but has heard they originally came from France. Has always spelt the name Emerson. Believes his crest to be a stag, with the motto "*Ich Dien.*" [No such crest ever granted to an Emerson.—P. H. E.]


? (Robert) Emerson, married twice.
Robert, who possessed a small estate near Rugby, supposed to have been derived from Chartres, a London banker, or from the French De Chartres family. Died unmarried.
George, born 1773, died 1838, lived in Clerkenwell, Aldgate and Lower East Smithfield, was a churchwarden of St. Botolph, Aldgate. Chemist and Chemical Manufacturer. Married Elizabeth Lessiter.
Miss — Emerson, married Mr. Rivers
Miss - Emerson, married Mr. Burke.
Emily Rivers, married Mr. Cripps.
Kezia Rivers, married Mr. Wallington.
— Rivers, married Dawes.
Elizabeth, married Dr. Hedges, D.D., no issue. Dead.
Mary Ann, died young, no issue. Dead.
Robert, born 1810, married 1st Sarah Oliver, no issue. 2nd Emma Matthews, issue 1 child died in infancy. Died 1894. Chemist.
Mary, married Mr. Freeth, issue 3— 1 died. 2 Frederick. 3 Fanny. Dead.
Annie, unmarried. Dead.
George, died unmarried.
Louisa, married Mr. Davis, 1 child. died young. Dead.
Emily Ellen, died young, no issue.
William Emerson, born 1820, married Mary Webb, 1858. M.R.C.S.E., L.S.A.
Rosina, died 1895, married — Nelson, 3 children— 1 dead. 2 Rosina. 3 Ruth.
Emma, married Mr. Donovan, 2 children, both dead. No issue.
One still-born
Ralph W. Emerson, born 1859, died 1895, unmarried.
William Sydney, born 1861, at present in New Zealand.
Augustus Emerson, born 1863, unmarried.
Beatrice Mary.
Maud R. H. Emerson.

Signed, Augustus Emerson, London, N.W., July 13, 1896.

(6) *Peter Emerson, Ealing Dean, London, W.*

(i.) Peter, *ob.* 1832. His father was born in Gray's Inn Road. Born near Oxford Street, and had issue:—(1) Peter, b. near Lisson Grove, now *æt.* 66. (2) Thomas, went to New Zealand *circa* 1860, and D.S.P. 1862.

(ii.) Peter (the contributor) b. Feb. 23, 1830. Is married, and has three sons and five daughters. Has always spelt the name Emerson, and has been told his ancestors came from Co. Durham; claims no arms. Signed, Peter Emerson, London, W., June 23, 1896.

(7) *Mary Emerson, née Robertshaw, widow, æt.* 72, *London, N.*

Widow of George Rose Emerson, *ob.* 1885, who was the only son of George Emerson and — White. The family said to have come from Oxfordshire. Several relatives went to the colonies and U.S.A., including three out of eight of her sons—two to Africa and one to America. Does not claim any arms. Mr. Emerson was a prolific writer, as the list of his publications in Appendix proves. Signed, Mary Emerson, London N., July 15, 1896.

(8) *George H. Emerson, London, E.C.* (*vide* Captain Thomas Emerson, of Ramsgate).

(i.) John Emerson, *ob.* 1794, *æt.* 43, when his son Thomas was about 12. He left issue:—(1) Thomas Griggs, a pilot for the north and south Channel. (2) Sarah, m. J. Ash, and had issue, Thomas and James Ash, who went to the U.S.A. (3) Girl, m. ?.

(ii.) Thomas Griggs Emerson, the pilot, *ob.* Sept. 17, 1866, *æt.* 82. He married and left issue:—(1) Thomas (Captain Thomas, of Ramsgate, *q.v.*). (2) George H. (the contributor). (3) Dau., m. J. Green, Ely. (4) Dau. (R.), m. E. Sewell. The family came from Lincolnshire and claim no arms. Signed, George H. Emerson, July 4, 1896.

(9) *Emma Emerson, of Archway Road, London.*

Asks me if I am related to the Emerson family, if there is money in the Emerson family, and if I am writing a book, tries to bargain for a copy for information. Declined with thanks.—P. H. E.

(10) *Mark Emberson, of London, S.E.*

(i.) Abraham of Great Waltham, Essex, *ob.* Dec. 1887, *æt.* 90 (contributor's grandfather). Believes his father and grandfather were farmers in the same county. He had a brother William at Great Waltham. Says his uncle is still a farmer in Essex, and sends me a cutting from Scott's "Pirate," from the end of Chapter XXIV., where occurs the name Emberson.—P. H. E.

(11) *Ernest Sugden Emerson, of London, S.E.*

(i.) James, b. at Bristol, where he was town clerk and owned a brass foundry called "The Castle Green Foundry." He entertained William IV. at Bristol. He had a brother Thomas who went to U.S.A. He m. (1) Hon. Miss Walcot, niece to Lord Lyons, and had one son, Dr. James Lay Emerson, now dead. (2) Charlotte Scofield Sugden; had issue, including the contributor; all the boys were christened "Sugden."

(ii.) Ernest Sugden Emerson. Has heard that a great-grandfather was hung in the Irish Rebellion. Has always spelt the name Emerson and claims no arms. Signed, E. S. Emerson, July 7, 1896. Mr. Emerson kindly sent me the copy of a letter he received from Ralf Waldo Emerson which proves that R. W. E. did not know his own pedigree beyond his grandfather.

(12) *H. Emerson, of London, S.W.*

Asks me for my pedigree, and tells me some Emersons in this part of the world have a pedigree that won't bear looking into (I think I know them), and promises me his pedigree. I sent mine, but have received no reply.—P. H. E.

(13) *W. R. Emerson, London, S.W.*

States that his people came from Buckinghamshire.

(i.) Robert Emerson, left issue:—(1) William, *ob.* 1877, *æt.* 34, m. Sarah Harmer, of Brixton. (2) Emma Anne, m. Robert Line, her cousin, of Bucks. (3) Susanna Esther, m. Goulding, of Dorsetshire. (4) Sarah Elizabeth, m. W. Henley, of Bucks, her cousin.

(ii.) William and Sarah Harmer left issue:—(1) William R. (the contributor), *æt.* 22, 1896, and six daughters. Has always spelt the name Emerson and claims no arms. Signed, W. R. Emerson, London, S.W., July 11, 1896.

(14) *F. A. Emmerson, Willesden Green.*

Has forwarded my circular to his eldest sister in America, but I have had no further information.—P. H. E.

(15) *Arthur Emerson, Brentford.*

Father came to Brentford from Cottenham, Cambs., about sixty years ago, and has recently died. Has always spelt the name Emerson, and claims no arms.

(16) *William A. Emerson, London, S.W.* (*vide* Fisher Emerson, of Bath, and Emerson, of London).

Question 1.—*Vide* pedigree of Fisher Emerson, of Bath, Mr. W. A. E. belongs to that family.—P. H. E.

Question 2.—Northumberland, but a very long time ago.

Question 3.—My own name has always been Emerson. Some members of the Emerson family for some reason or other assumed the name of Emerson-Tennent.

Question 5.—I used to know one young Emerson, a cousin or second cousin of mine, who went out to South America, where he had relatives of his own name (probably relatives of mine also, although unknown), but this young fellow died out there.

Question 6.—With Cooks, Pecks, Longs of Wootton-under-Edge, Gloucester, Keables of West Lavington, Dyers of somewhere, and Randalls of Devizes.

Question 7.—Not being well up in heraldry, I do not quite understand the meaning of this question. The family crest, I have always been taught, was a "sinister hand gules," *i.e.*, a baron's hand. It appears thus in Warburton's book of crests, and also in Fairbairn's, where it is quoted as belonging to the county of Northumberland. My father, grandfather, and probably generations before them, had used this as a trade mark on sacks, etc. I have lately heard that an old seal is somewhere in existence in possession of some member of the family, in which the hand is charged with a heart, with the motto "Love truth." [There is no record of any such Emerson crest; it must have been a trade token.—P. H. E.]

P.S.—I have heard that an Emerson, a great-uncle or some such relative of mine, was a big man in the Spitalfields silk trade when that was in its palmy days. I have also heard that Kew Bridge "belonged" to an Emerson, another great-uncle or something of that kind. Also have hear tales of other Emersons, sailors who were shipwrecked, and men of thrilling adventures in the bush, who used to turn up unexpectedly in England in impecunious condition.

(17) *John Emmerson, London, S.E.* (*Croydon*).

(i.) John Emmerson, b. at Cottenham, Cambs. Had issue:—

(ii.) (1) John Emmerson, b. 1812, at the same place. Had issue:—

(iii.) (1) John (the contributor), b. Jan. 4, 1844. (2) William. (3) Josiah. Both living. The family are tall, powerful men. Has spelt the name Emmerson always. No arms. Signed, John Emmerson, Croydon, July, 1896.

(18) *William Emerson, of The Sanctuary, Westminster, London, S.W.*

A distinguished architect. His pedigree will be found in the Emersons of Bath (*q.v.*).

(19) *Robert Emerson, Uxbridge Road, London, W.*

Parents owned the original "Old Hat" at Ealing. Father's brother went abroad. Brother George in the Royal Marines at Chatham. He served in the Egyptian campaign of 1897. Sisters living—(1) Jane. (2) Mary Ann. (3) Elizabeth. (4) Isabella, *ob.* in 1896. Signed, R. Emerson, Dec. 3, 1897.

Kelly's London, Suburban and Middlesex Directories, 1895; (Middlesex), London and Suburbs (1896). The addresses are therefore often counted twice over. Emersons 59, Emmersons 37, Embersons 7 = 103.

XVI.

Co. Berks.

(1) *Thomas G. Emerson, M.D., Ch.M. Queen's University, Ireland, of Wantage.*

(i.) Great-grandfather, pioneer and organizer of the Orangemen in '98.

(ii.) Thomas, lived at Hilton Park, Clones, Co. Monaghan. His grandfather was a keen sportsman, but unlucky in horse-racing. He left issue:—(1) Thomas, emigrated to Australia (Sydney ?) *circa* 1845—50. (2) John (*vide infra*), lived at Amchurch House, Clones, b. *circa* 1820, *ob. circa* 1884. (3) Mary, spinster, *ob. circa* 1886.

(iii.) John, m. Ann Sharpe, b. Co. Cavan, Ireland, *circa* 1836, and had issue:—(1) Thomas Gilbert Emerson, M.D. (2) John, surgeon at Saltaire, Yorks. (3) J. S. Emerson (broker), living at Washington, U.S.A. (4) ——. (5) ——. (6) ——.

(iv.) Thos. Gilbert Emerson, M.D., m. Mary Evelyn Provis. No issue. The family

came from Co. Monaghan, Ireland. Educated at Carmichael Sch. of Med., Dublin ; Richmond and Mercer Hospitals, Dublin ; Trinity Coll., Dublin, and Queen's Coll., Galway. First Prizeman in Anatomy, Physiology, Surgery, Mat. Medica, Medical Jurisprudence at Carmichael Sch. of Med., Dublin. Claims no arms, but says his father did, but does not know on what grounds. Always spelt name Emerson. Signed, Thos. G. Emerson, Wantage, July 13, 1896.

(2) *David Emerson, of Newport Pagnell.*

Family originally belonged to Bletchley (Bucks), and many generations lived there. His father and uncle lived there too, and were copyholders, and had to beat the bounds once in three years for custom. They once omitted to do this, and so rendered their title void, and the land reverted to the lord of the manor, Sir P. P. Duncomb. In trying to dispute the point, it was found that they had held the land for ten generations, but it was of no avail. Name always spelt Emerson.

(i.) John Emerson, brother of Thomas, m. twice. 1. 1st wife, and had issue :—(1) John. (2) Thomas. (3) George, who was at the battle of Waterloo. (4) William. 2. 2nd wife, and they had issue :—(1) James, *ob.* at Bletchley. (2) Mary Anne, *ob.* at London. (3) Elizabeth, *ob.* at Salford (Beds). (4) Robert, *ob.* at Salford (Beds). (5) Daniel, *ob.* at Bletchley. (6) David, b. 1802, *ob.* at Newport Pagnell, 1861.

(ii.) David (father of contributor), youngest son of John, b. 1802, *ob.* 1861. Had issue :

(iii.) David (the contributor), of Newport Pagnell. Signed, David Emerson, Newport Pagnell, July 4, 1896.

Kelly's Directory, 1895.—Emersons 3, Emmersons 0, Embersons 0 = 3.

XVII.

Co. Kent.

(1) *R. Joynes Emmerson, of Sandwich, Kent.*

Born 1812. Has always spelt the name Emmerson, and there is a tradition that his ancestors came from Yorkshire. Signed, R. Joynes Emmerson, Sandwich, June 18, 1896.

Does not claim arms, but uses a demi-lion with battle-axe as crest, such as was never granted to any *Emerson*, let alone Emmerson, none of whom have ever been granted arms. —P. H. E.

(2) *Captain T. Emerson, Ramsgate, Kent.*

Was for many years in the service of the Trinity House, London. Was 19 years in command of one of their steam vessels, and for 28 years superintendent of the Great Yarmouth district, inspecting lighthouses, light-vessels, buoys and surveying sands in the vicinity as required. Has a son in command of one of the Trinity House steamers. His grandfather came from Lincolnshire, and has always spelt his name Emerson and does not claim any arms. Thinks he is connected with a branch of Emersons formerly well known at Watton, in Norfolk.

(i.) John (grandfather), who had issue :—

(ii.) Thomas Griggs, who had issue :—

(iii.) Thomas (the contributor), b. 1822. Signed, Thomas Emerson, Ramsgate, July 14, 1896.

(3) *Mrs. Mary Emerson, Ramsgate, Kent.*

Married eldest son of Captain T. Emerson, of Ramsgate. Her husband now dead. Signed, M. Emerson, Ramsgate, July 5, 1896.

With reference to Nos. 2 and 3 as above given, *vide Geo. H. Emerson's* return under London.—P. H. E.

(4) *Jacob Emerson, Swanley, Kent.*

(i.) John Emerson, b. 1755, buried 1839, *æt.* 84. Born and buried at Tittleshall, Norfolk. John Emerson m. Mary ?, b. 1762, buried 1846, *æt.* 84. These extracts are from the Tittleshall Parish Register. They left issue :—

(ii.) Father, b. at Tittleshall, Norfolk, March, 1793, *ob.* at Ryburgh, Norfolk, 1871. He left issue, eighteen children, seven of whom are alive, but the only surviving son besides contributor is ———, who has no issue. One sister m. Donath, another m. Hurst. There are some of the name who claim relationship in Sydney, N.S.W., but knows nothing of them. Father's brother William was an army pensioner, D.S.P. One of father's sisters m. Spendlove.

(iii.) Jacob Emerson (the contributor), m. Annie Mace, and has issue:—(1) Ernest Edward, *æt.* 29, of Swanley, married. (2) Rowland, *æt.* 26, of Swanley, married. (3) Alice, *æt.* 28, spinster. (4) Mary, *æt.* 16, spinster. Is manager of Army and Navy Stores, and has been for 25 years. Has given much evidence and done much work on the railway rates controversy, see Blue Books, 1889, 1890, 1891. Has always spelt the name Emerson himself, but has known members of the family spell it Emmerson. Claims no arms. Signed, Jacob Emerson, Swanley, Oct. 15, 1896.

(5) *A. T. Emerson, of Shortlands, Kent.*

(i.) George Emerson, b. *circa* 1731, is believed to have lived latterly near Reeth, in Swalesdale, Yorkshire. He left issue:—

(ii.) George Emerson, b. 1772, *ob.* 1848. He left issue:—

(iii.) A. T. Emerson (the contributor). Does not know what county originally came from, has always spelt the name Emerson, and claims no arms. Signed, A. T. Emerson, Shortlands, July 7, 1896.

(6) *F. Emmerson, Broadstairs, Kent.*

(i.) William Emmerson, b. , of Walsingham, Norfolk, m. — Lynn, of Hempton, and settled at Toftstree (the next parish), *ob. æt.* 82. They had issue:—

(ii.) Henry Emmerson, who married, and died 1896, *æt.* 82. He and his wife had issue:—(1) John Emmerson, whose son John went to India 30 years ago, and is now dead. (2) James, whose son went to India 46 years ago, and is now dead. (3) Charles. (4) Benjamin, living at Tofts, near Fakenham. (5) Henry (*vide infra*). (6) Daughter, m. Tufnell, of Maidstone. (7) Another daughter (?).

(iii.) Henry Emmerson, moved to Broadstairs and married, and has issue:—(1) Harry, in the Navy, serving in Australia. (2) Fred (*vide infra*). (3) Charles. (4) William. (5) Rupert. (6) Daughter (?). (7) Daughter (?).

(iv.) Fred Emmerson* (the contributor), living at Broadstairs, coxswain of B.A.R.C. Claims no arms. Signed, F. Emmerson, Broadstairs, July 1, 1896.

(7) *Mrs. Sewell, née Emerson.*†

Sister of Captain Thomas Emerson above-mentioned. Her father's eldest sister married a naval officer named James Ash, and their two sons went to the United States *circa* 1820 and settled there. Her sister m. John Green Ely, and she m. Edward Sewell. Signed, R. Sewell, Upper Clapton, London, July 14, 1896.

(8) *Mrs. C. Flower Ellis, of Widmore, Bromley, Kent.*

Great-grandmother was Eliz. Maria Emerson, b. May 9, 1786, m. Oct. 30, 1805, at Windsor, Nova Scotia, to Captain Thos. Appleton, Royal Marines, of H.M.S. *La Ville de Milan.* She died 1875. She was the dau. of John Emerson and Catherine Schwartz (*vide infra*) Emersons of Bognor. Catherine Schwartz was niece of the well-known Indian missionary of that name, whose family originally came from Heidelburg.

John Emerson and Catherine Schwartz, m. Aug. 17, 1777, had issue:—(1) John William, b. Oct. 28, 1778, *ob.* Oct. 16, 1805. (2) Otto William, b. Dec. 14, 178 , *ob.* Oct. 23, 1803. (3) Eliz. Ann, b. May 3, 1782, *ob.* Sept. 17, 1782. (4) Thos. Palmer, b. July 9, 1783, *ob.* Aug. 30, 1783. (5) George Philip, b. Feb. 7, 1785, *ob.* Dec. 1, 1794. (6) Eliz. Maria, b. May 9, 1786, *ob.* March, 1875. (7) Henry Edward, b. Feb. 14, 1788, *ob.* Dec. 1, 1794. (8) Cath. Ann, b. Sept. 20, 1789, *ob.* 1884. (9) Susanna Louisa, b. Dec. 13, 1790, *ob.* 1885. (10) Frederick, b. March 25, 1792, *ob.* 1811. (11) Hugh Alexander, b. Sept. 23, 1793, *ob.* May, 1860. (12) Mary Amelia, b. June 22, 1795, *ob.* 1834. (13) Sophia Eustina, b. May 6, 1797, *ob.* 1888. (14) George Henry, b. Dec. 21, 1798. *ob.* July 3, 1889. (15) Mary Ann Isabella, b. Dec. 27, 1800, *ob.* Sept., 1873. (16) Edward Weeks, b. March 12, 1803, *ob.* 1825. (17) Otto William Gould, b. June 28, 1805, *ob.* 1886. Signed, C. Flower Ellis, Widmore, Bromley, Kent, Oct. 22, 1897.

Kelly, 1895.—Emersons 7, Emmersons 7, Emberson 1 = 15.

* Has since gone into the Navy.—P. H. E.

† I have to thank Mrs. Sewell especially for two lithographed pedigrees of the Lincolnshire Emersons of Serby—the *only* armigerous Lincolnshire family of Emersons, whose history will be found elsewhere.—P. H. E.

XVIII.

Co. Sussex.

(1) *E. G. W. Emerson, Bognor, Sussex.*

(i.) John Emerson and his brother (name unknown) emigrated—John to Nova Scotia, the brother to the United States—about 1772. The brother of John was lost sight of. They are said to have gone from Lincolnshire. John moved to New York during the War of Independence, and contracted to feed prisoners of war, made a fortune and returned to Nova Scotia, and m. Catherine Schwartz, of German family, 17th Aug., 1777. John and Catherine left issue:—(1) John William, a captain in the Army and A.D.C. to the Duke of Kent, commander-in-chief of Nova Scotia. (2) Henry. (3) George. Both drowned. (4) Frederick. (5) Otto. Both joined the Navy and died. (6) Hugh Alexander, entered the Navy, retired and became a barrister (*vide infra*). (7) George Henry, a barrister and judge in Newfoundland. (8) William, settled in America and left issue. (9) Louisa, m. Count de Damas, an officer of the Foreign Legion stationed at Nova Scotia, and nephew of the Duke de Damas, an ancient French family. (10) Eliz. Maria, m. Captain T. Appleton, of the Royal Marines. (11) Catherine Anne, m. Captain Drawater, of the Army. (12) Another sister, m. — Campbell, of Nova Scotia. (13) Isabel, m. Lieut. Elrington, of the Army. (14) Sophia. *ob.* unmarried at Brighton, England. (15) (16) (17) Died in infancy.

(ii.) Hugh Alexander m. Mary Burger and moved to Newfoundland, where he was for 25 years solicitor-general, and for several years puisne judge. He died in England in 1860. He left issue:—(1) Elder brother, bachelor. (2) E. G. W. (the contributor). (3) Sister, m. — Cowan (now dead), of Brisbane, Queensland. (4) Sister, spinster.

(iii.) E. G. W., bachelor, *æt.* 63 (the contributor). Resides with his elder brother and sister at Bognor, and is a prominent inhabitant, District Councillor, on School Board, Guardian of the Poor, etc. Claims no arms.* Signed, E. G. W. Emerson, Bognor, July 11, 1896.

(2) *T. W. Emerson, Brighton.*†

(i.) Jonathan, b. at Kitty Craggs, Weardale, Co. Durham. Had issue:—

(ii.) Stephen, of Kitty Crags, who had issue:—

(iii.) George, of Kitty Crags, who sold the freehold of Kitty Crags and moved to Redbank, near Appleby, Westmoreland. He had issue:—(1) Ralph (*vide infra*). (2) Ruth. (3) John. (4) William. (5) Stephen. (6) George. (7) Robert. (8) Sarah. (9) Jane and Dickenson (*sic*) ?.

(iv.) Ralph, believes he is related to Ralph Waldo Emerson, but gives no proof; it is, however, improbable. He has issue:—

(v.) T. W. (the contributor), recently removed from Canterbury to Brighton. Name always spelt Emerson. Signed, T. W. Emerson, Brighton, July 28, 1896.

Kelly, 1895.—Emersons 2, Emmersons 2, Embersons 0 = 4.

XIX.

Co. Somerset.

(1) *Major-General Alexander Emerson, of Cotlake House, Taunton.*

The following notes are based on Burke's account, but revised and brought up to date from notes kindly supplied me by Major-General Alexander Lyon Emerson, and my own researches.

Lineage.—One of the earliest records of this Lincolnshire family is the will, proved 1605—6, of Alexander, the son of George Emerson. He appears to have been father of five sons. One of which,

Robert Emerson, of Glamford Briggs, Co. Lincoln, m. Elinor Wainwright, and was father of

Alexander Emerson, Esq., of Caistor and Glamford Briggs, an eminent barrister, who

* I received a letter from a member of this family in Nova Scotia who used Ralf's (of Foxton) arms *with Sir James Emerson-Tennent's* motto, "*Deus protector noster.*" No person originating from Lincolnshire has any claim to arms granted to a *Durham family*, nor claim to *another man s* motto; this is obviously the work of the "swindling heraldic stationer," and the writer will pardon my calling attention to such folly. Mr. Emerson, of Bognor, however, himself claims no arms, and since the family hail from Lincolnshire, *if* they are entitled to arms, there is obviously but one coat to which they are entitled.—P. H. E.

† Since moved to Liverpool.—P. H. E.

m. in 1666 his cousin, (1) Elizabeth, dau. and heir of Alexander Emerson, of Glamford Briggs, and had a numerous family by his three wives, the eldest son of which was:

Thomas Emerson, Esq., of Grimsby and Caistor, b. in 1628, who m. Mildred Saunderson, only dau. of George, third Viscount Castleton, and dying in 1667, was succeeded by his son,

Thomas Emerson, Esq., of Caistor, Adm. 1710, who m. Isabel Ascough in 1686 and left issue:

Alexander Emerson, Esq. * of Caistor, who m. Alice, sole heiress of George Wharton, Esq., of Retford, Notts, and had two sons:—

Thomas, who D.S.P., and Alexander Emerson, Esq., of Caistor, who succeeded under the will of G. Wharton, Esq., to the estate of West Retford, Co. Nottingham. He m. Elizabeth, second dau. and co-heiress of the Rev. Thomas Bosvile, rector of Ufford, Co. Northampton, by Elizabeth, his wife, sister and co-heir of John Bolle, Esq., of Thorpe Hall, Co. Lincoln, and by this lady (who m. secondly, in 1745, the Rev. Stephen Ashton, vicar of Louth) had issue:—(1) Alexander, heir (*vide infra*). (2) Wharton (Sir), Bart. and M.P., of East Retford House, Notts, and Kettlethorpe Park, Co. Lincoln, b. at Hackthorne, Co. Lincoln, in Feb., 1739—40, m., first, April 16, 1762, Anna Maria, eldest dau. and co-heir of Vincent Amcotts, Esq., of Harrington and Aistrop, Co. Lincoln, assumed in consequence the surname of Amcotts, and was created a Baronet in 1796; he had by her an only dau., Elizabeth, m. in 1780 to Sir John Ingilby, Bart., of Ripley. Sir Wharton m. secondly Amelia Teresa Campbell, and by her had one dau., Sophia Louisa, m. in 1826 to Matthew Wilson, Esq., of Eshton Hall, Co. York. Sir Wharton *ob.* in 1808. (3) Elizabeth, m. to Thomas Massingberd, Esq., of Gunby Park, Co. Lincoln.

The heir, Alexander Emerson, Esq., of West Retford House, Co. Notts, b. 1743, m. Susannah, second dau. (and co-heiress with her sister, Anne, wife of Major John Clutterbuck, Esq., of Warkworth, Co. Northumberland) of Captain Patrick Lyon, of East Thetford, a descendant of the noble house of Strathmore, and left (with a dau., Harriet Lyona, m. first to Joseph Cavie, Esq., and secondly to Colonel Campbell) a son and successor,

Alexander Lyon Emerson, Esq., M.D., of West Retford House, Notts, and of Ulverscroft Abbey, Co. Leicester, also of Cumberworth and Thorpe, Co. Lincoln, and Gasington, Co. Durham, b. May 10, 1770, who entered the army March 5, 1795, and served throughout the campaigns in Holland, Egypt, Spain, Cape of Good Hope, etc. In 1817 he was one of the few promoted by the Prince Regent to the rank of deputy inspector of hospitals. Dr. Emerson was a good botanist and musician, playing extremely well on the organ. The organist to George III. bequeathed him a bust of Handel, now in Major-General Lyon Emerson's possession. Dr. Emerson m. Elizabeth, dau. of — Hunsdon, Esq., of Maldon, Co. Essex, and has issue:—(1) Alexander Lyon, his heir (*vide infra*). (2) William Henry, of Cumberworth and Thorpe, Co. Lincoln, late 63rd Regt. He entered the army, as ensign in the 10th Foot, in 1842, and having obtained his lieutenancy in 1843, served throughout the campaign of the Sutledge, acting *aide-de-camp* to Brigadier Stracey, C.B., at Sobraon, and has received a medal and a clasp; m. in 1848 Flora Brenda, dau. and co-heir of F. D. Haynes, Esq., of Lonesome and Ashstead, Co. Surrey, by Mary, his wife, eldest surviving dau. of Sir Timothy Shelley, Bart., of Castle Goring; died without issue. (3) Thomas Wharton, of Cumberworth, Co. Lincoln, and late of Pembroke College, Oxford, m. Mary, dau. of R. Corringham, Esq., of Misterton, Notts, and has a son, Lyon Emerson. (4) Elizabeth, m. to Captain Tupman, R.N., of Reading, *ob.* in 1849, leaving issue. (5) Julia, did not marry. (6) Isabella Susanna, m. in 1859 to Robert Corringham, Esq., of Misterton and Gringley, Notts. (7) Anne Louisa, did not marry. Dr. Emerson d. July 24, 1834, was buried in Tunbridge Wells, and was succeeded by his eldest son, the Rev. Alexander Lyon Emerson, of Ulverscroft Abbey.

The eldest of Dr. Emerson's sons, son and heir to Ulverscroft Abbey, was the Rev. Alexander Lyon Emerson, of Ulverscroft Abbey, Co. Leicester, and West Buckland, Co. Somerset, succeeded his father July 24, 1834, m. 1837 Julia, only surviving dau. of William Trenchard, Esq., of Taunton, and has issue. He sold Ulverscroft Abbey in 1837 to Lord Stamford. He left issue:—(1) Alexander Lyon, b. Feb. 11, 1838, 28th Regt., served in the

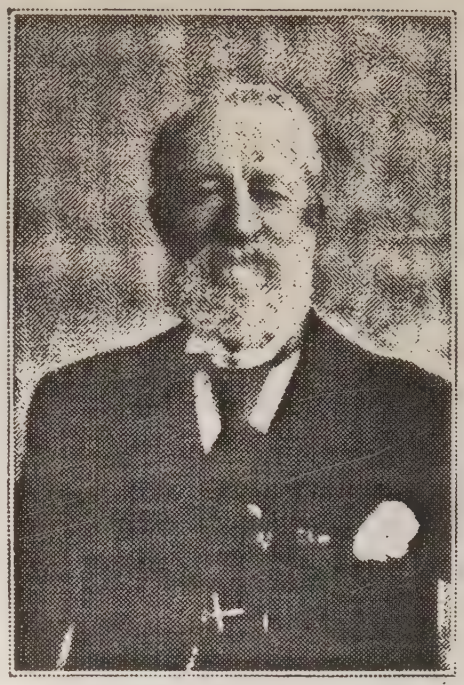
* The 1666 Visitation ends with this Emerson, and the 1796 pedigree begins with the same person.—P. H. E.

Russian campaign (*vide infra*). (2) Charles Edward, *ob.* 1894, *sine prole*. (3) Wharton Amcotts, unmarried, alive, no issue. (4) Theodore Bosvile, *ob.* 1882, Major 19th Regt., retired Lieut.-Colonel, m. Alice Attrill in 1889, *ob.* Nov. 15, 1894, and left issue:—(1) Alexander Theodore. (2) Charles Edward. Both living. (5) Catherine Alice Mary, spinster, alive 1896.

Alexander Lyon, the son and heir, of Cotlake House, Taunton, Somersetshire, entered the army on Jan. 12th, 1855, as ensign in 28th Foot, and remained in it 32 years, retiring from the command in 1887 with honorary rank of Major-General. Served in Malta, India, Hong Kong, on staff as D.A., Quartermaster-General in Jamaica, and Brigade-Major of Curragh Camp and Belfast district, also Assistant Quartermaster-General, Portsmouth, and on Prince Edward of Saxe-Weimar's staff at Portsmouth. Commanded 1st Gloucestershire Regt. two years. M. in 1878 Edith Kate Eliza, dau. of Lieut.-Colonel Wyndham Baker, Royal Artillery, by Edith Lushington. Has one daughter, Ethel May, born Nov. 25, 1879. Arms—quarterly: 1 Emerson, 2 Bosvile, 3 Bolle, and 4 Lyon. Motto—"*In te Domine speravi.*" Crest—none.

(2) *J. Fisher Emerson, of Bath.*

The accompanying pedigree was compiled from material kindly supplied by Mr. Joseph Fisher Emerson. This family are undoubted descendants of the Emersons of Co. Gloucester, whose pedigree and history are given under Co. Gloucester in Chapter IV. The family originated in Durham and is not armigerous. It has produced one distinguished man at present living, Mr. William Emerson, architect, of London. So far as is known and as records show it is not related to Ralph Waldo Emerson's family as some of its members have thought.



Joseph Fisher Emerson, *æt.* 72.

(3) *Robert John Emmerson, Wincanton.*

(i.) Hiram John. Had issue:—(1) Robert John (the contributor). (2) T. E. G., living at Yeovil. Moved to Wincanton from Lavington and Stanton. Claims no arms. Signed, R. J. Emmerson, Wincanton, June 22, 1896.

Kelly, 1894.—Emersons 4, Emmersons 0, Emberson 1 = 5.

XX.

Scotland.

(1) *Annie Emerson, of Edinburgh.*

Annie Emerson, spinster, dau. of the late Mr. Emerson, of Beechpark, near Belfast, Ireland, and niece of Sir James Emerson-Tennant (*q.v.*). Has always spelt the name Emerson. Her brother served in the Army Service Corps in South Africa, and went through the Boer war, surviving the attack on Majuba Hill. He died 1893, unmarried. Her father went to Calcutta as managing director of the P.N.O. Company. Has only a married sister alive. Her father, the *elder* brother of Sir James Emerson-Tennant, used the same arms as Sir James Emerson-Tennant (*q.v.*). Signed, Annie Emerson, June 28, 1896.

Book-plate contributed.—P. H. E.

(2) *Thomas Emerson, of Aberdeen.*

(i.) Thomas Emerson, of Mulgavie, Renfrewshire, had issue:—(1) William Emerson, went to America in 1874, *æt.* 40, never heard of since, b. 1830. (2) Mary Emerson, went to New York, U.S.A., in 1868, *æt.* 25, m. and died there, *æt.* 42; b. 1843. (3) Thomas Emerson, b. Sept. 24, 1844. (4) James, went to America in 1872, *æt.* 18, heard of at Crystal Island, California, in 1878; b. 1854. (5) Marion, m. Andrew Fulton, of Glasgow, both living.

(ii.) Thomas Emerson, was born at Springburn, Glasgow, Sept. 24, 1844, and moved to

Aberdeen 1887, and has issue:—(1) Annie. (2) Thomas. (3) Maggie. (4) Robert. (5) Alexander. Always spelt name Emerson and claims no arms. Signed, Thomas Emerson, Aberdeen.

Scotland. Edinburgh Post Office Directory, 1895, and State Directory.—Emersons 2, Emmersons 2, Embersons 0; Aberdeen, 1893—Emersons 2 = 6. Ayr, Inverness, Glasgow, etc., none.

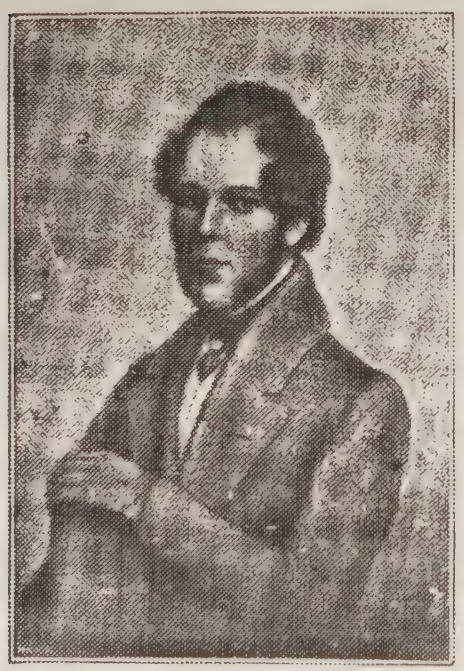
XXI.

Ireland.

(1) *Grace Emerson, of Rostrevor, Co. Down.*

(i.) John Emerson, b. 1763, m. 1790 Mary, dau. of John Martin Tubbermoney, Downpatrick. They had issue:—(1) Ellen, b. 1792, m. 1809, went to America same year. (2) John, b. 1794, m. in America, went out with his sister Ellen. (3) Grace, b. 1796, m. John Wilson, *ob.* 1867, no issue. (4) Robert, b. 1798, do not know where he died. (5) Mary, b. 1800, *ob.* 1875, unmarried. (6) Thomas (contributor's father), b. 1802, m. 1837, *ob.* 1881. (7) Joseph Martin, b. 1808, lost at sea 1849, unmarried. (8) Ruthven, b. 1810, *ob.* 1880, unmarried. Joseph and Ruthven were poets.

(ii.) Thomas Emerson, b. 1802, m. 1837 Mary, dau. of James Kirkup, Northumberland. They had issue:—(1) Elizabeth Catherine, b. Sept. 27, 1838, m. 1857 John Calvert, son of John Calvert and grandson of Leonard Calvert, Co. Armagh. (2) John Thomas, b Dec. 31, 1839, *ob.* 1840. (3) Mary Grace (the contributor), b. Nov. 2, 1841, spinster. (4) Thomas Ruthven, b. Nov. 6, 1842, m. in America, settled in Arcata, California, one son, Thomas Henry, a *very* clever boy of 16. (5) Robert James, b. Sept. 26, 1844, m. 1889. (6) John, (Major) b. July 2, 1847, m. 1888, secondly 1895, one son, b. 1890 (*vide infra*). Always spelt the name Emerson. Claims no arms. Signed, Grace Emerson, Rostrevor, July 10, 1896.



Ruthven Emerson, born 1810, *ob.* 1880.
From a painting by himself.

Miss Grace Emerson has a tradition that her great-great-grandfather was an Englishman, who came over with William III. and fought at the battle of the Boyne and settled in Ulster. Sir J. Emerson-Tennent claimed kindred with her grandfather.

Miss Emerson has sent me a volume of poems by her two uncles, Joseph Martin and Ruthven Emerson, entitled "Lays of the Deep" (London: Marlborough & Co., 1878). These brothers were both water-colour artists as well. Joseph Martin was ever a rover on the sea, in which he finally found his grave (July, 1849), and Ruthven was a stay-at-home, never leaving Rostrevor. Of the two writers, Joseph appears to me the better, and his poems are distinctly good, showing keen observation and knowledge of the sea and ships, a certain power of expression, and a great love of nature. These poems, if not of first rank, are a long way ahead of much of the writing of the "minor poets" given in Mr. Traill's article, but these brothers knew nothing of, and cared less for, log-rolling and booming. I must refer the reader to the volume itself. The drawings of Ruthven are rather formal, but he has a good sense of colour and decoration, lacking only the exquisite draughtsmanship which proclaims the master.

Miss Emerson's brother, whose portrait is here given, is an able and distinguished officer, whose record I append in brief.

Major John Emerson, Commandant of the Military Police Corps, Provost Marshal of the Army, at present on the staff of His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught, the General Officer commanding Aldershot, was born at Rostrevor, Co. Down, Ireland, in the year 1847. He was educated at Dr. Stackpole's Academy, Kingstown, and at Major Mark E. Frost's

Academy, Portsmouth. He joined the Royal Navy in 1865, and received his commission as Paymaster in July, 1869. He served in the *Lion*, guardship at Greenock, and H.M.S. *Bristol* flagship of Admiral Sir G Hornby on the west coast of Africa, and the *Vestal, Investigator*, "Dr. Livingstone's old ship," and on many others on the north coast of America, West Indies, west coast of Ireland for a number of years. He left the Navy in 1871, and joined the 5th Princess Charlotte of Wales Dragoon Guards, commonly called the "Green Horse." He was employed on the recruiting staff, London, for some years, and obtained the regimental rank of Orderly Room Sergeant-Major before volunteering for active service on the outbreak of the Egyptian campaign, 1882. He accompanied Lord Wolseley through the campaign as the Sergeant-Major of the Combined Military Mounted and Foot Police, and took part in the battle of Tel-El-Keber and the advance on and the capture of Cairo. He was attached to the staff of Sir General Graham, V.C., K.C.B, during the first Eastern Soudan Campaign, 1884, and was present at the landing of the troops at Trinkitat, the battle of El-Teb, the relief of Tokat, the reconnaissance of El-Dubar and Affafeet, the battle of Tamai, the destruction of Osman Digna's village, and the affairs of Tamach and Handoub. He was mentioned in despatches in the *London Gazette* of the 24th of May, 1884, and was awarded the distinguished conduct medal for gallantry in the field, with two dates, (1) Feb. 29 and (2) March 13, 1884. He served on Lord Wolseley's staff during the whole of the Nile Expedition until the evacuation of Soudan. In Sept., 1885, he was commissioned Quartermaster on the staff of the Army, and appointed Assistant Provost Marshal at the Curragh Camp, Ireland. In 1886 he was appointed to the commission of the peace for the town of Belfast, and during the riots of this year was dangerously wounded whilst endeavouring to protect the life of a man. He was Governor of the Military Prison, Curragh Camp, from 1885 to 1894. He was awarded the Royal Society medal for saving life from fire, 1891. The decorations in Major Emerson's possession are: the Egyptian medal with four clasps, distinguished conduct medal, Khedive's star, Humane Society medal. He was strongly recommended by His Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge twice for the Albert medal for saving life, also for the medjidie of the 4th Class for service in Egypt. Major Emerson was appointed the rank of Major on the 19th of Sept., 1895.

Major John Emerson,
Commander of Military Police Corps, Provost-Marshal of the Army.
(On the Staff of the Duke of Connaught.)

I am especially indebted to Miss Grace Emerson for the volume of poems and the water-colour drawing by Ruthven, and to Major Emerson for his portrait.—P. H. E.

(2) *Annie Emerson and Frances Mulock Emerson, Clarina, Co. Limerick.*

In the early part of the sixteenth century, one Horatio Emerson, reputed to be an artist, m. Emily, dau. of Frederick Wetheral, of Castle Wetheral, King's County. They had issue: one son, John Swifte Emerson, who m. a L'Estrange, of the same county. They had issue: one son, Horatio Emerson, m. Emily Mulock, dau. of William Mulock, of Bellair, King's County, and had issue:—(1) John Joseph. (2) Elizabeth. (3) Frances, who died young. Elizabeth m. John North, of Fairview, Tyrrelspass, Co. Westmeath, and had issue:—(1) Emily, m. Courtney Stisted, Captain R.E. Scots. (2) Kathleen, m. William Gardiner, A.M. staff.

(3) Constance, m. Frank Anderson, Indian Civil servant (4) Col. David North, late Royal Artillery, now of Fairview, m. Mrs. Jack, of Halifax; they have issue—one daughter, *æt.* five or six.

John Joseph Emerson (contributor's father) m. Mary Jane, eldest dau. of the late Captain Isaac North-Bomford, of Gallow and Ferns, Kilcock, Co. Meath. They had issue:—(1) Horatio (died young). (2) Isaac Bomford, m. Minnie, dau. of late John Wyley, of Leacroft, Isle of Wight; no issue. (3) John Joseph North. (4) Henry Robert Mulock, m. Georgina, dau. of George Andrews, of Kilkee; issue—Horace Andrews, Vivien, Eileen, Vera. (5) Charles St. Leger Shervington, not married. (6) David North-Bomford, m. Emily Constance, dau. of the late Samuel Martyn, of Thurloe Square, London; issue—Mary Nellie, aged ten months. (7) Frank, died young. (8) Belinda Bomford, m. J. C. Cooper, of Cooper Hill, Clarina, Co. Limerick; no issue. (9) Elizabeth, died young. (10) Emily Annabella, m. Athol Johnstone Dudgeon, son of the late Captain Ralf Dudgeon, of the 50th Regt.; issue—John Henry, Ralf Emerson (Athol), Mary.

Question 1.—Frances Wetheral Mulock (myself).

Question 2.—The Emersons came from Durham.

Question 3.—Our name was always Emerson.

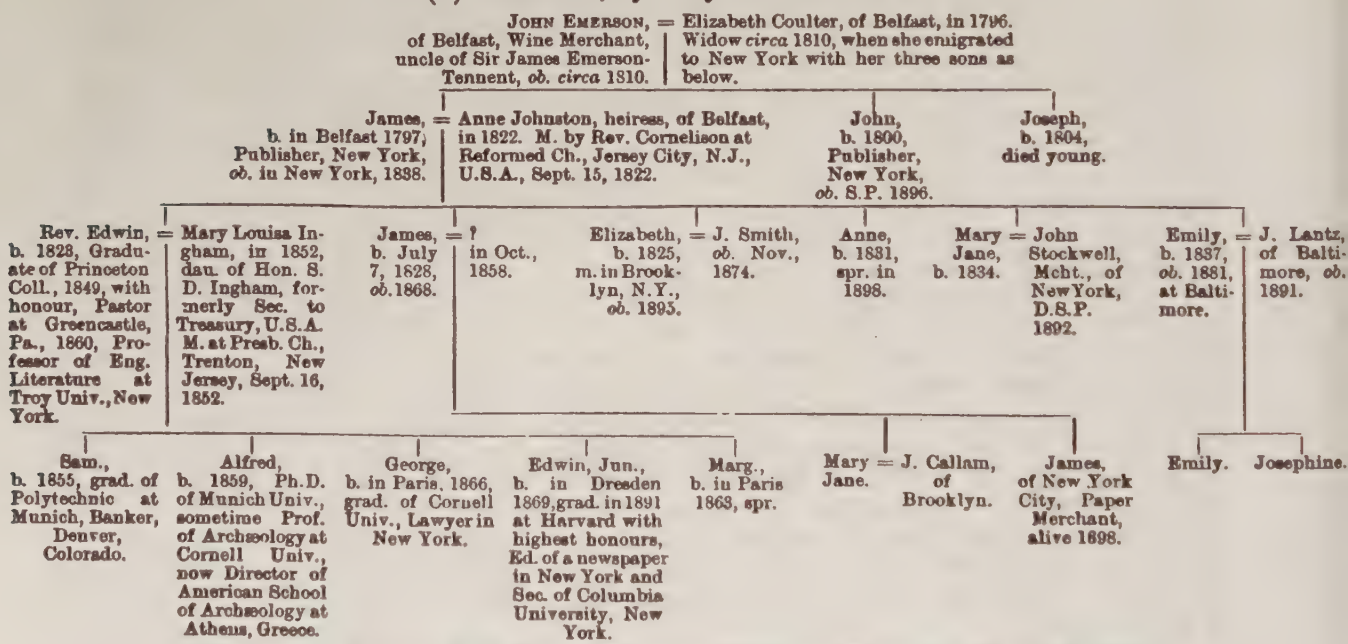
Question 4.—My father was a celebrated athlete, as also is my youngest brother.

Question 5.—As far back as I know, none of my ancestors went abroad, they having lived on the Emerson property, Clonshaney and Deer Park, Ballycumber, King's County, which came to them through Emily Wetheral, of Castle Wetheral.

Question 7.—We have arms.

Signed Frances Anne Emerson, Clarina, July 17, 1896.

(3) *Emersons, of Belfast and U.S.A.*


John Emerson, of Belfast, Wine Merchant, uncle of Sir James Emerson-Tennent, ob. circa 1810.
= Elizabeth Coulter, of Belfast, in 1796. Widow circa 1810, when she emigrated to New York with her three sons as below.
James, b. in Belfast 1797; Publisher, New York, ob. in New York, 1838.
= Anne Johnston, heiress, of Belfast, in 1822. M. by Rev. Cornelison at Reformed Ch., Jersey City, N.J., U.S.A., Sept. 15, 1822.
John, b. 1800, Publisher, New York, ob. S.P. 1896.
Joseph, b. 1804, died young.
Rev. Edwin, b. 1828, Graduate of Princeton Coll., 1849, with honour, Pastor at Greencastle, Pa., 1860, Professor of Eng. Literature at Troy Univ., New York.
= Mary Louisa Ingham, in 1852, dau. of Hon. S. D. Ingham, formerly Sec. to Treasury, U.S.A. M. at Presb. Ch., Trenton, New Jersey, Sept. 16, 1852.
James, b. July 7, 1828, ob. 1868.
= ? in Oct., 1858.
Elizabeth, b. 1825, m. in Brooklyn, N.Y., ob. 1895.
= J. Smith, ob. Nov., 1874.
Anne, b. 1831, spr. in 1898.
Mary Jane, b. 1834.
= John Stockwell, Mcht., of New York, D.S.P. 1892.
Emily, b. 1837, ob. 1881, at Baltimore.
= J. Lantz, of Baltimore, ob. 1891.
Sam., b. 1855, grad. of Polytechnic at Munich, Banker, Denver, Colorado.
Alfred, b. 1859, Ph.D. of Munich Univ., sometime Prof. of Archæology at Cornell Univ., now Director of American School of Archæology at Athens, Greece.
George, b. in Paris, 1866, grad. of Cornell Univ., Lawyer in New York.
Edwin, Jun., b. in Dresden 1869, grad. in 1891 at Harvard with highest honours, Ed. of a newspaper in New York and Sec. of Columbia University, New York.
Marg., b. in Paris 1863, spr.
Mary Jane.
= J. Callam, of Brooklyn.
James, of New York City, Paper Merchant, alive 1898.
Emily.
Josephine.

No arms. Signed, Rev. Edwin Emerson, Denver, Colorado, Nov. 12, 1897.

(4) *John C. Emerson, Ballydehob, Co. Cork.*

Family has been living at Bandon, in Co. Cork, for 300 years. Has a brother, Canon Emerson, of St. Peter's, Bandon, to whom referred, but received no reply.—P. H. E.

(5) *Thomas Emerson, of Clifden, Co. Galway.*

Says the name is to be found in Kilnaboy Church, Co. Clare, for several hundred years. Many of his relations went to America. No arms. Signed, Thomas Emerson, Clifden, Nov. 9, 1897.

Kelly, 1894.—Emersons 18, Emmersons 4, Embersons 0 = 22.

XXII.

INDIA.

Thomas Emerson, B.A. (Cantab.), of Serajganj, Eastern Bengal.

Came from Galway, Ireland, where his father, a builder, is at present living. His family has resided in the county of Clare, at Corofin, since early in the seventeenth century. His father was born there in 1824 and m. Miss Roberts in 1839. His paternal grandfather was born at the same place *circa* 1790. His mother's father lived at Parsonstown, and her mother was Sidney Catherine Macmahon, a famous beauty. Through the Macmahons, lands in Clare came to his mother's brother. Has always spelt the name Emerson and claims no arms. Signed, Thomas Emerson, Serajganj, Eastern Bengal, Aug. 9, 1896.

Mr. Thomas Emerson, an Indian Civil servant, was educated at Clongowes Wood College, the Royal University of Ireland, and Emmanuel College, Cambridge, where he graduated B.A. After the examination of 1873, he was appointed to Bengal, where he arrived Dec. 23, 1874, and serves in Bengal as assistant magistrate and collector (*vide* Indian Official List, 1896).

Indian Official List, 1896—Emerson 1 (*vide supra*); Thacker's Indian Directory—Emersons 7 = 8.

XXIII.

BEYOND THE SEAS.

George Emerson, Hotel de Flandre, Calais.

(i.) Edward Emmerson, or Emerson (spelt both ways), b. 1783, in Yorkshire. Had issue :—

(ii.) Edward, b. 1807, in Yorkshire. Had issue :—

(iii.) Edward Henry, b. 1830, in Yorkshire. Had issue :—

(iv.) James, b. in London.

Has heard Emerson, afterwards Emerson-Tennant, was cousin of his grandfather. J. E. E., brother abroad; also Est. E. in New Zealand (1870).

I do not know the English address of this contributor, therefore print him as "beyond the seas," but in his letter he speaks of returning to Bush Hill Park.—P. H. E.

CHAPTER VI.*

Emersons of Ipswich, Mass., and Hertfordshire.

DR. PAULINE R. CANFIELD, 1896.
Ob. 1897.

ABOUT three years ago, Dr. P. E. Canfield, my cousin, the enthusiastic genealogist of the registered branch of the Ipswich (Mass.) Emersons, wrote to me and asked me the following questions :—

(1) Who was Ralf of Foxton, what was his pedigree, and what relation was he to the Ipswich Emersons who claim his arms?

(2) Who was Thomas of Bradbury? what relation was he to Ralf of Foxton and to the Ipswich Emersons?

(3) Whether I could find out whence Thomas of Ipswich emigrated in England?

Dr. Canfield informed me Professor B. K. Emerson had spent twelve years searching everything in America, and that nobody knew whence the Ipswich Emersons had come, though it was said Co. Durham, and suggested Thomas of Bradbury and Thomas of Ipswich were identical.

These simple questions, which it has taken me exactly three years' hard and unremitting work to answer, gave rise to this book. At the start I luckily made the acquaintance of

* This chapter was written after the book had gone to press.—P. H. E.

Colonel J. P. Steel, R.E., who had for some years been working at a history of his own family, and he gave me much valuable help. The London Library was put under levy for books, and I began with zeal. I soon found nothing whatever was known of Thomas, of Ipswich, as regards his English life; and although Colonel Steel warned me it was very "chastening work," this genealogy—I should call it heart-breaking—I determined to solve these questions, and after I had in a year amassed a certain amount of information, I printed it in a little *tentative* pamphlet, entitled "Rough Notes on the Emerson Clan" (1896), to be distributed privately and to serve the purpose of occupying the ground, and of circulating with a view to gaining further information and corrections of errors. Like most of my brother genealogists, I soon began to find what absurd and often vain "family traditions" people perpetuate, and, worse than that, that many of the publications containing pedigrees of the better class were absolutely untrustworthy. On proving a pedigree given in Burke was spurious, I determined to trust nobody and believe nothing unsupported by *legal evidence*. But, alas! I made this discovery after the publication of my "Rough Notes," in which I had naïvely assumed certain printed pedigrees were trustworthy, and consequently based some of my suggestions thereupon. When I had learnt the ropes fairly well, I determined to pass every English county and Scotland and Ireland through a coarse-meshed strainer, as it were, feeling sure I should thus find answers to my questions—as I have done. In June, 1897, Professor B. K. Emerson sent me advance proofs of his 'Emersons in America." I begged him to omit the chapter on "Emersons in England," warning him that I had discovered certain printed pedigrees were spurious, and that therefore some of my suggestions in "Rough Notes" were no longer to be entertained; in effect, that his matter on the "Emersons in England" was worthless, and calculated to harm the good work he had done on the "Emersons in America;" but he declined to listen to my advice and to correct some matters which were mere idle conjecture, and it is a matter for regret that he took this view of the matter, for my last and latest discovery proves the fallacy of his theories as to the origin of the Ipswich Emersons.

But to return. After nearly three years' hard work, my whole time being given up to the subject, I have partially succeeded in settling the Ralf of Foxton problem, so far as, I fear, it ever will be settled, in proving that there were three Thomases of Bradbury, and that he was not related to Ralf of Foxton, that neither of the three Thomases of Bradbury emigrated to Massachusetts, that they were descendants of William Emerson, of Southwark, Co. Surrey, bowyer, and were in no way connected with any Durham family, so far as is known. I had passed every county except Herts and Essex through my strainer, and only awaited a few documents to finish my rough search of them. When I got so near the end of my allotted task, I determined to print the book, and Mr. D. Nutt sent out prospectuses, advertising its probable publication in March, 1898. As I had to be ready for the printer, I advertised a reward of £15 in the new *Genealogical Magazine*, June, 1897, for the baptism certificates of the children of Thomas and Elizabeth Emerson, who emigrated to Ipswich, Mass., *circa* 1638. When my MS. went to the printers in February, 1898, I had a few registers remaining to be searched between 1615 and 1635—some dozen in Essex and three or four in Co. Herts.

On March 4, 1898, I wrote to Mr. F. Johnson, of Great Yarmouth, who has done a good deal of work for me, and asked him to go to Herts and Essex for me at once and search some dozen registers. He was at the time very busy, and wrote me in reply on March 5, 1898:—

DEAR DR. EMERSON,—I really am afraid I ought not to say I am willing to go to Herts and Essex, because I have not yet been to Lincoln and am not sure when I can go there as I am fairly busy here for some time. What part of Herts or Essex is it? Yours faithfully, (Signed) FRED. JOHNSON.

In reply, I told him various parishes in and about Bishop's Stortford, Co. Herts, and Great Dunmow in Essex, and that I should ask him to start at Bishop's Stortford. He was unfortunately unable to go, so I posted reward notices to all the Essex parishes, and wrote to Mr. W. Brigg, Editor of the *Herts Genealogist*, on Friday, March 11, Miss Walford, whom I had asked to look for any transcripts of Bishop's Stortford, Stondon and Sawbridgeworth at Somerset House, having told me of him. A copy of the letter to Mr. Brigg may be of interest, and is here printed, together with a "reward bill."

£15 REWARD. The above reward will be paid to the first person who supplies certified copies of the baptisms of Joseph, John, James, Elizabeth and Nathaniel, children of Thomas and Elizabeth Emerson, born between 1615 and 1635. Nathaniel born 1631. Clergymen will find it worth while to examine their register of baptisms for the above period in hopes of finding the information required. The above reward will be paid by P. H. EMERSON, B.A., M.B. (Cantab.), The Nook, Oulton Broad, Lowestoft, to whom communications should be addressed.

THE NOOK, OULTON BROAD, LOWESTOFT, Mar. 10, 1898.

DEAR SIR,—Miss Walford has mentioned your name to me as an authority on Herts and Essex. In the first place I enclose a bill of a reward I am offering for certain baptisms. These people are Ralf Waldo Emerson's ancestors, who emigrated to Ipswich, Mass., U.S.A., *circa* 1638. Now I have traced Emersons to Herts and Essex, and I think very probably Essex or Herts is the county whence they emigrated. I have traced Emersons to Standon (Herts), Bishop's Stortford, Sawbridgeworth. Perhaps you have access to printed registers of these places and could look through the indexes. Also to various places in Suffolk.* I should be glad to hear from you if you could help, and be glad also to pay the reward if you could find what I require. Yours very truly, (Signed) P. H. EMERSON.
— Brigg, Esq.

To my great joy, on the Sunday following (March 13) I received, about ten o'clock in the morning, the following telegram† :—

Harpenden, 9.4 a.m. 9.50 a.m.

Emerson, The Nook, Oulton Broad, Lowestoft.

Eureka, will obtain certificates to-morrow.
Brigg.

Stamp. Postal

And I knew the last problem was at last solved and my work done, for I knew Mr. Brigg was to be relied upon. Mr. Brigg went to Bishop's Stortford on Monday and bespoke the certificates, and sent them on after his letter of how he was fortunate enough to discover them, an extract of which I append :—

HARPENDEN, HERTS, 13 Mar., 1898.

DEAR SIR,—I am very much obliged to Miss Walford for mentioning my name to you, and more especially as I think the information I can give will be interesting. I am pleased also to think that another distinguished American will be able to trace his ancestry back to Hertfordshire. Quite recently I was instrumental in tracing Mr. Secretary Olney's ancestors at St. Albans. I have a large collection of genealogical information relating to this county, and late last night came across the following items. (Here follows all entries of the name Emerson to 1612.) The above are all from the registers of Bishop's Stortford and I think must be what you want. I sent you a wire this morning announcing my discovery, and will go in to Stortford to-morrow to obtain the certificates you require and shall be pleased to accept the reward you have offered. Yours faithfully, (Signed) WILLIAM BRIGG.

I paid Mr. Brigg the reward as I had promised on the receipt of the certified copies of the entries, attested by Mr. Lane, the Vicar of St. Michael's Church, Bishop's Stortford.

So after hard and serious work all over England, success was reserved for the last moment and for one of the smallest counties in England. I was, I may say, led to think Bishop's Stortford "very likely" from Robert's, of Bishop's Stortford, will, and I had also actually examined Mr. Glascock's printed "Churchwardens' Accounts" before I wrote to Mr. Brigg; in fact, I was following my usual method of searching all extant registers (between 1615 and 1635) of any parish to which any record led me; and, curiously, I had sent a searcher to Much Hadham, the next parish, a year before. Bishop's Stortford, then, is the English home of

Photo BISHOP'S STORTFORD, CO. HERTS. *R. E. Poulton.*
(Whence the Ipswich, Massachusetts, Emersons emigrated in 1638.)

the Ipswich Emersons, and I presume it will in future be added to the list of shrines which

* This is a clerical slip for Essex.

† A curious matter in this connection is that the telegram was wrongly dated. It was stamped March 12, or Saturday's date, instead of Sunday, March 13, which had it not been a mere matter of genealogy, but of legal importance, might have proved serious; but villagers in Suffolk are always sleepy.

American visitors to this country never miss. I am unable to give more than the accompanying pedigree and to say that Robert Emerson owned a freehold property some twelve acres in extent in Bishop's Stortford, called *Muggle's Dale*, and that Thomas, his eldest son, acted as collector for the poor of Bishop's Stortford in 1636, proving, therefore, he did not emigrate in the *Elizabeth and Anne* in 1635, as Professor B. K. Emerson states tradition has it, and which I have previously pointed out I very much doubted. There is no description of Thomas' occupation in the register. His wife was one Elizabeth Brewster, as will be seen by the pedigree—possibly a relation of William Brewster, the famous Pilgrim Father ; but these and other matters I must reserve for a small and detailed work I shall write later on "The Emersons of Co. Herts and U.S.A." and fully illustrate—tracing Thomas' ancestors in the direct line as far back as I can, and giving every detail I can obtain of the family's life at Bishop's Stortford. This work I shall begin at once. I think I can descry the William and Mary who owned the silver cup which Mr. E. D. Emerson, of Waltham, possesses, and believe James Emerson, the son who did not go to Massachusetts, to be Lieut.-Colonel James Emerson, of Tangiers, W.P. 1664, as I had previously thought, and that Robert is the son of Thomas, of Great Dunmow, in Essex, and was baptized there in 1561. Great Dunmow is only seven or eight miles from Stortford, and I think, as I have previously stated, all these Herts and Essex Emersons are descendants of George and Alice Emerson, who held lands at Stanstead Montfichet in 1516 ; but as I have not at present proofs of the identities, etc., I will conjecture no more. It will be seen two of the dates of the baptism of Thomas's children were conjectured aright in America, viz., Joseph in 1620 and John 1625, and it is a great pity Professor B. K. Emerson ever meddled with the Hammett papers, and suggested John, who emigrated in 1635, *æt.* 25, was John, the son of Thomas. He was not, as I have already pointed out. Nor are there the additional children, viz., Thomas, Jun., and Sarah, as suggested by Professor B. K. Emerson. I have said before in this book that there was not an atom of proof to suppose the view that there were such children, and it is now plain that he had no such children. It is evident, too, that the age on Nathaniel's gravestone is incorrect. He is given as *æt.* 83, whereas he was born in 1630 and *ob.* 1712, *æt.* 82. The four additional children will come as a surprise. And, lastly, now we are a generation nearer Ralf of Foxton, we may speculate on the arms carved on Nathaniel's tombstone. Robert, if the Robert baptized at Great Dunmow in 1561, and if related to Ralf of Foxton, will be a grandson. That he was connected with well-to-do people I believe, for William Emerson, W.P. 1533, was lord of Doos Manor in Standon, as was his son Richard, W.P. 1562 ; and I may say I think Mr. Ed. D. Emerson's silver cup probably belonged to William and Mary Emerson, of Doos Manor, Standon. The cup was probably the work of a goldsmith, John Daniel, who worked 1530 to 1550 (Cripps) ; but *proofs* of this relationship must be sought. The possession of the cup by Thomas, son of Robert, is, however, *primâ facie* evidence. I may say that Mr. Ed. D. Emerson, of Waltham, now the owner of the cup, is the *only* member of the family who had a correct idea whence the family came, for in a letter to me, dated March 8, 1898, he says :—

"Thomas himself was one of the best educated men in the Colony, and a man of considerable pecuniary means. I should perhaps think that he came from the neighbourhood of London ; of this I have no record, but that his family as well as himself were people of education and refinement would seem to point to the metropolis rather than the country."

And he proves to be correct. The Durham theory does not seem to have had any weight with him. I may say the statement by Professor B. K. Emerson in a letter to Dr. Canfield, that he had record of the property owned by Thomas Emerson in Weardale, and that he had letters giving the tradition some hundred years old, obviously require explanation, for these statements misled me considerably, and caused me an enormous amount of work, which I should never have otherwise undertaken, as also the statements, without an atom of proof, published by Mr. Egglestone, a local antiquary in Weardale. As I have said, I am under the impression Ralf of Foxton left Durham before 1575, when a Visitation of the county was held, for unless he died *sine prole* before that date, some of his descendants would surely have claimed the arms in 1575.

Joseph was then 18 in 1638, John 13, Nathaniel 8, Elizabeth 15 and Susan 6. The earliest register of Bishop's Stortford is unfortunately lost, the present register beginning in 1561, but the first Emerson entry is 1578—the marriage of Robert Emerson and S. Crabbe. For the benefit of English readers, we may repeat that Ralf Waldo Emerson is the direct lineal descendant of Joseph Emerson (Rev. Joseph, of Mendon), baptized at Bishop's Stortford, June 25, 1620.

Photo] St. Michael's Church, Bishop's Stortford. [*Maxwell.*
(Interior.)

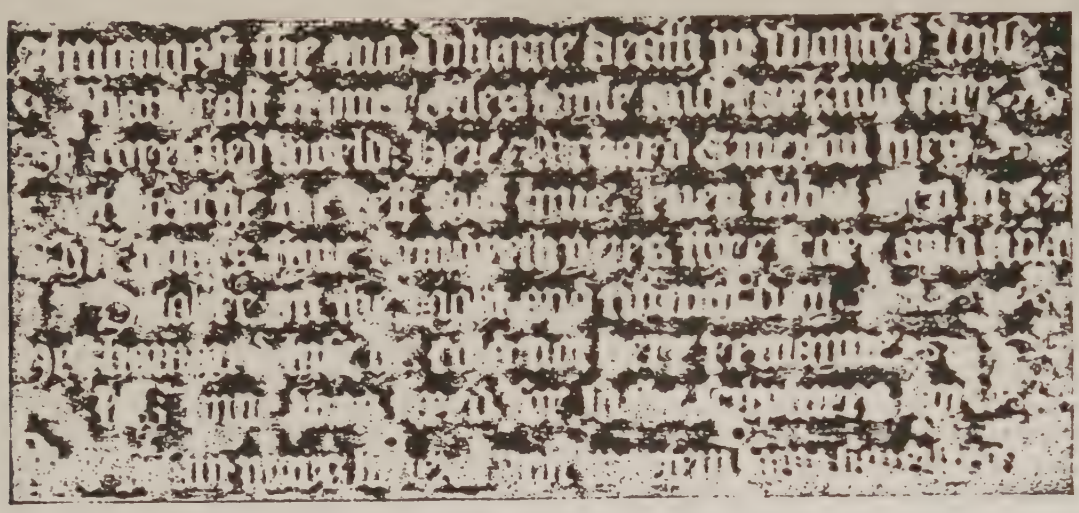
On May 2 I went down to Bishop's Stortford and made the acquaintance of the courteous antiquary of the town, Mr. J. L. Glascock, Grange Road. Mr. Glascock was extremely kind to me and together we walked out to "Muggle's Dale," a field on the extreme northern limit of the town, on the very borders of Herts and Essex. Robert and his son Thomas's house he could not at present identify, but Mr. Glascock pointed out to me that a Robert had a house in the South Street in 1642 which returned no communicants, *i.e.*, they were nonconformists, and he suggests the house was on the west side of South Street and recently pulled down. On Tuesday, May 3, I went to early service in the old church where our ancestors were married, baptized and some of them buried. Mr. Glascock tells me it is in much the same state it was in in 1637—8, when they emigrated—all above the clock in the steeple only being new. We then in the presence of the Rev. H. T. Lane, the courteous Vicar, examined the register; the entries of the baptisms of the children of Thos. and Eliz. who emigrated 1637—8 are beautifully and clearly written. Of the four additional children not hitherto known there was record of two only up to 1660, which was as far as we searched—Benjamin, died in infancy, and Ralf who fell from a tree and was killed in 1626, *æt.* 11. This fact is registered with his burial. Mr. W. Brigg and Mr. J. L. Glascock* intend shortly printing the Parish Register with the Vicar's leave, whilst the Vicar will send certificated copies of the entries to anyone paying the usual fees, or will show the register to anyone on payment of the usual fees. Mr. Glascock says there are no gravestones left with any of the family names thereon, and he has kindly permitted me to say he will be glad to see any antiquarian pilgrims at his house. Mr. Glascock tells me he discovered that Major-General Denison, whom it will be remembered was mentioned in Thomas of Ipswich's will as his friend, emigrated from Bishop's Stortford too, so they probably knew each other in England. At present there is no record known which gives Thomas Emerson's occupation at Bishop's Stortford.

Photo] St. Michael's Church, Bishop's Stortford. [*Maxwell.*
(Thos. Emerson was collector here in 1636.)

I am now inclined to think all the Emersons who emigrated to the United States, except John of the *Abigail*, 1625, were connected. The Rowley Emersons were probably descendants of Robert, s. of Robert, whom I have lost sight of, or of Robert, brother of Thomas, and the Haverhill Emersons were also probably connected with this family, for they were described as "leather-sealers" or "stampers."

* Mr. J. L. Glascock's "Records of St. Michael's Church, Bishop's Stortford," can now be obtained of Mr. Boardman, printer, of Bishop's Stortford, Co. Herts (price 5s.), and doubtless he will obtain the register for anyone when printed.

I walked along the silver thread, the Stort, to the breezy and pretty town of Sawbridgeworth; and another day I spent in exploring Standon and Much Hadham—places situated in valleys amid the rolling green hills of Hertfordshire. At Standon I was able to make this rubbing of the brass over Richard Emerson's grave, but the brass is so dented and bent, that it is very imperfect.



Rubbing of brass to Richard Emerson in Standon Church, Co. Herts.

The wording is already printed under Emersons of Co. Herts. Bishop's Stortford is within half an hour's ride from London, and Americans visiting it will find the old "George" comfortable—an historic old inn. From this centre they can explore the neighbourhood, and drive or cycle over to Standon, Much Hadham, Sawbridgeworth, Thorley and Great Dunmow, all places where the Emersons owned property in early days. I trust they will have better weather than the first "native"—myself—who returned to the home of his ancestors had. One walk was for sixteen miles in rain and mud and wind. I made a short entry in the visitors' book of the "return of the native," which my successors may see.

We were only enabled to search the Stortford register up to 1660, and found no further children of Robert, Junior. As I have said, however, Messrs. Brigg and Glascock are about to print the register, and we shall then know if there are any other recorded Emersons, but I fear not, and think that the remaining progeny of Robert, Jun. (if any), will be found in London, with which I have reason to believe the family were connected, and I hope in my new work referred to to clear the matter up. Should it turn out the Rowley and Haverhill Emersons are not connected with the Bishop's Stortford Emersons, as I submit, I fear I shall not discover their origin. John, son of Robert, Sen., is obviously not the *Abigail* emigrant, who emigrated in 1635, *æt.* 20, therefore born in 1615 (lic. to go beyond the seas), therefore, not John, son of Robert, Sen., of Bishop's Stortford (*vide* pedigree).

The first Emersons to emigrate to America were the Virginian Emersons, viz., Ellis Emerson and his wife and child, Thomas, *æt.* 11, in 1623, who went with two servants to Martin's Hundred; obviously there were other children, for in 1624 Hotten gives further record: Alice and Robert, children of Mr. Emerson, died at Martin's Hundred—obviously the same Ellis Emerson. I could find *no* Ellis Emerson, but just before this chapter was sent to press, Mr. Ellison, churchwarden of St. Margaret's Church, Westminster, sent me the following record of an Ellis Emerson occurring in the St. Margaret's Parish Register, Westminster. It is the *only* Ellis Emerson I have except the Virginian.

Ellis Emerson, =
of St. Margaret's, Westminster,
London.

Thomas, bap. 1613.	Rowley (*sic*), bap. 1617.	Agnes, bap. 1626.

Now 11 + 1613 = 1624, the date of emigration, when Thomas is given as aged 11. The Rowley and Agnes may be misspellings in the register or American record for Robert and Alice who died in Virginia in 1624, which, if this be the same family, still leaves an error to be corrected in the date of baptism of Agnes. Errors were frequent in these registers, and are frequent in their indexes now, and this Ellis is probably the emigrant; but the matter requires investigation, which cannot be undertaken now, as this chapter must needs go to press at once. I shall endeavour to clear the matter up in the small work I have already spoken of above.

The following notes and tracing of "Muggle's Dale," the field owned by Robert, of Stortford, and inherited by his son Thomas, of Ipswich, were kindly supplied by Mr. G. L. Glascock, and the two photographs were taken by his son, T. B. Glascock for this work, and my thanks are due to both for their great kindness.

"Muggle's Dale" from Ordnance Survey.
Tracing by G. L. Glascock.

"'Muggle's Dale' lies at the northern extremity of the parish, between the road leading from Stortford to Farnham and that leading from Stortford to Manuden. It is about 1½ miles north of the town of Stortford, next to Hazelend Wood by which it is bounded on three sides. On the Parish Map of 1823 it is numbered 406, and on a later map of 1839 it is numbered 521. The area of the field on both maps agrees with the Ordnance Map. In the Tithe Terrier of 1839 it is described as 'Muffles Dane.' On the Ordnance Survey Map it is numbered 51 and the acreage is given as 9·484. The field next to it (number 48) is described in the Terrier of 1839 as 'Woodfield.' I send with this a tracing from the 25-in. Ordnance Map. I have marked the altitudes on this, the field itself would be about 240 ft. above sea level. The boundary between the Parish of Stortford and that of Farnham is shown by a red dotted line; this is also the boundary between Co. Herts and Co. Essex. In order to get to this field the owner must have possessed a right of way over two other fields, if these were not his property. The field No. 50 is partly in Farnham and partly in Stortford, and is called in the Terrier of 1839 '*Donnington's*' or Dovington's, ? Dorrington's. The photos were taken from the spots indicated by a × on the rough tracing, No. 1 looking N.E. and No. 2 looking N.W. The crop of hay has just been carted and the small heaps you see in the field are the rakings." G. L. Glascock.

Photo *T. B. Glascock.*
Muggle's Dale, No. 1 view, Bishop's Stortford.

Photo *T. B. Glascock.*
Muggle's Dale, View No. 2.
Owned by Rob. Emberson in 1620 and inherited by his son Thomas, who emigrated to Mass., 1638.

Errata et Addenda.

ERRATA.

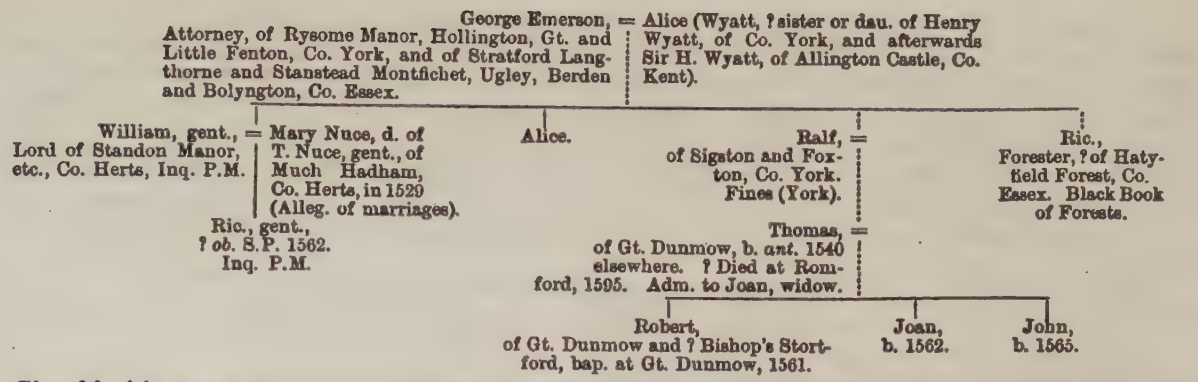
Page 1, line 29, insert "," after occurs; p. 3, footnote, for "these" read "those;" p. 4, lines 11 and 12, for "Embersons" and "Amersons" read "Emberson" and "Amerson," and l. 24, for "Emerson" read "Emberson;" p. 5, footnote 1 should be at bottom of p. 4; p. 6, l. 6, for "1516" read "1525;" p. 9, l. 42, for "County Durham" read "Bishopric of Durham," and l. 56, for "Tennant" read "Tennent;" p. 15, lines 23 and 24, for "nor do" read "but," and l. 24, after "possible" add "but not probable," and l. 43, for "visitations" read "visitation," and for "and" read "or;" p. 47, l. 37, for "Longford Close" read "Langland Close;" p. 49, l. 7, for "Market Durham Cross" read "Durham Market Cross;" p. 62, l. 43, for "son" read "father;" p. 64, l. 42, for "Fitz-Hugh" read "Fitz-John;" p. 138, l. 23, for "Mr. C. Gang" read "Mr. C. Ganz."

ADDENDA.

Frontispiece (portrait).—The engraver has shaded the charges on the bend wrongly, they should be argent.

Cap. I. To p. 2.—The Coram Rege Roll, Mich., 17 Ed. IV., m. 65, gives us a John Emereson, yeoman, at Jafford, Co. Yorks. (1477). In the De Banco Rolls, 17 Hen. VII., roll 136, 15 Hen. VII., m. 419 dors., 17 Hen. VII., m. 430 dors., 23 Hen. VII., m. 82, we find George Emerson acting attorney for various persons in Notts, Yorks and Northumberland, and in 7 Hen. VIII., m. 568, we find this George licensed to lands in *Co. Essex.* So this George et Alice *ux* must be added to Emersons (p. 6) in various English Counties before 1525, to wit, to Co. York and Essex. And this George was apparently of considerable influence and social position—a lawyer of some sort (*vide* Emersons of Co. Essex and Herts). And the more one enquires into the early history of the family the more possible does it seem that it originated in Co. York, from Alan fil Emerie and Brian his son, who are mentioned in Richmond Domesday, *vide* p. 1, Cap. I.

Cap. II. It will be noticed in the Richmond Herald's certified copy of Ralf of Foxton's arms, he says, "Ralf of Foxton, in the *Bishopric* of Durham." Now it has since occurred to me that the possible solution of the Ralf of Foxton identity is this—that he was not a *Durham* man at all but a Yorkshire man and hailed from the *Yorkshire Foxton*, which was in 26° Hen. VIII. in the "*Bishopric* of Durham," though not in the County of Durham, and curiously enough in Yorkshire Fines, Record Series, Vol. VII., p. 103, we find Ralf Emerson, of *Sigston*, Co. Yorks, which adjoins Foxton, Co. Yorks. I have said under "Emersons of Co. York" that Ralf, of Northallerton, was probably identical with Ralf of Romanby (Humberstone's Survey); his will, proved 1597, is given in the Appendix, wherein a second wife, Isabel, and a dau. are mentioned, and this Ralf, of Northallerton, is distinctly described in his will as a *yeoman* and he came from Sedgefield. I think on consideration that probably Ralf of Sigston and Foxton, Co. York, and this man were not *identical*, as I suggested, and possibly Ralf of Sigston and Foxton is the long-lost armiger. Ralf, of Northallerton and Romanby, certainly was not an armiger. I hope to clear the matter up later, but as this new theory has struck me in time to make a note but not to investigate it, I print it. The Chancery Proceedings show Ralf, of Shotton, and his issue were not armigerous, *i.e.*, they were *yeomen*, *vide* Chancery Proceedings (App.), and surely in legal proceedings and in their wills they would not have been described as yeomen if they were gentlemen, as I have all along suggested. Further thought too leads me to conclude that Ralf, of Brancepeth, W.P. 1581, was *not* the son of Ralf, of Shotton, W.D. 1561. His son was obviously Ralf, of Hollcoats, mentioned in Humberstone's Survey, and is most probably the Ralf bur. at Staindrop, 1540, probably dying *sine prole*. I conjecture that Ralf, of Sigston and Foxton, may now have been the son of George et Alice (Wyatt?) mentioned repeatedly in the De Banco Rolls, who migrated to Essex from Co. York; and if this should prove correct, it looks more than ever as if the early Essex and Herts Emersons were armigerous, and therefore the Emersons of Ipswich, Mass., were, as they claim to be, relatives of Ralf of Foxton, armiger. But all this must be proved and I give here a working hypothesis and a *tentative* pedigree, upon which lines further research may be carried out by those interested.


George Emerson, Attorney, of Rysome Manor, Hollington, Gt. and Little Fenton, Co. York, and of Stratford Langthorne and Stanstead Montfichet, Ugley, Berden and Bolyngton, Co. Essex.
= Alice (Wyatt, ? sister or dau. of Henry Wyatt, of Co. York, and afterwards Sir H. Wyatt, of Allington Castle, Co. Kent).
William, gent., Lord of Standon Manor, etc., Co. Herts, Inq. P.M.
= Mary Nuce, d. of T. Nuce, gent., of Much Hadham, Co. Herts, in 1529 (Alleg. of marriages).
Alice.
Ralf, of Sigston and Foxton, Co. York. Fines (York).
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Ric., Forester, ? of Hatyfield Forest, Co. Essex. Black Book of Forests.
Ric., gent., ? ob. S.P. 1562. Inq. P.M.
Thomas, of Gt. Dunmow, b. ant. 1540 elsewhere. ? Died at Romford, 1595. Adm. to Joan, widow.
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Robert, of Gt. Dunmow and ? Bishop's Stortford, bap. at Gt. Dunmow, 1561.
Joan, b. 1562.
John, b. 1565.

Should this prove to turn out correct all would be explained. William is called *gent.* in the Inq. P.M. and so is his son Richard; this is not *proof* but probability that they were armigerous. Richard obviously dies *sine prole*, *vide* his will and the Inq. P.M. Here would be the William and Mary of the silver cup taken to the United States in 1638 (*vide* p. 12). Gt. Dunmow Register begins 1538 and there are no Emersons baps. till 1561, when Robert, son of Thomas, appears; obviously this Thomas moved there from elsewhere. Bishop's Stortford Register begins 1561, but there are no Emersons until Robert's marriage to Susan Crabbe, of Bishop's Stortford, in 1578; obviously Robert moved there on his marriage, and is in all likelihood identical with Robert, of Gt. Dunmow, b. 1561. William, of Standon, and Ric., his son, were obviously stout Roman Catholics, probably Ralf was as stout a Protestant, They may have quarrelled and the Stortford family been disinherited on this account. The "medal" in the possession of Sir John Evans suggests Ralf the armiger and his descendants were Protestants. Robert, of Stortford, was obviously an extreme Protestant, as we *know* his son Robert was, being returned as a "non-communicant," and Thomas' emigration to Ipswich was solely on this account. It is quite possible the relationships of this family may turn out differently, but I feel sure all the above are related and descendants of George and Alice (Wyatt?) who came into Essex in 1509—11. But I repeat all the above is merely a working hypothesis. Ralf, of Sigston and Foxton, Co. York, will have to be *proved* Ralf the armiger, and his relationship to George and Alice, of Yorks and Essex, will have to be proved. It will have to be proved that William, of Standon, is related to George and Alice *ux.*; that Thomas, of Gt. Dunmow, is related to Ralf, armiger; and that Robert, of Stortford, and Robert, of Gt. Dunmow, bap. 1561, are *identical;* and finally, *if necessary*, that Richard, of Hatyfield Forest, Co. Essex, is a relative. To Alexander, of Serby's, pedigree I have nothing to add except that Michael who was abroad in 1677 is not the Michael who emigrated to the United States. Whoever he was he returned and his Adm. is dated 1702, whereas Michael, of Haverhill, died in New England at a different date and never returned.

Cap. IV. To p. 19.—I have said William William Emerson-Tennent died without issue. This should be without male issue; he left two daughters according to Rev. Edwin Emerson.

To p. 24.—Morant in his history of Essex gives many particulars of Dep.-Gov. S. Symonds' family. His father was Richard Symonds, ar., a cursitor in chancery, of Gt. Yeldham, Co. Essex. He married Eliz. Plumb, d. of Rob. Plumb, of Yeldham Hall, 9 Jan., 1580, and was buried at Gt. Yeldham, 8 July, 1627, his wife having been buried 24 June, 1611. They left five sons. Dep.-Gov. S. Symonds m. Dorothy Harlackden, and was Lord of Oliver's Manor, Topsfield, before emigrating and a Cursitor in Chancery.

To p. 31.—It will be seen by the key pedigree that there are one or two errors in the skeleton pedigree given on this page. John = Bainbridge should come out, Robert = Beatrice, being the son of Thomas R. Emerson, and Robert and Kirstan be removed from the top as they are possibly Emsons and not Emersons. The Brian disclaimed in 1615 was probably Brian, senior, too.

To p. 38.—Though I have included Kirstan, *vid.* of Robt. Emerson, here, I must on further consideration omit her, as the Cursitor Rolls has the name spelt "Emusson," and probably this was an Emson, more especially as there is no record of an Emerson in Kellawe's Register. Kindly eliminate this couple from the pedigree sheet.

To p. 44.—Ralf, of Swalwell, marries Johanna Eskirk and has 9 ells of land in Wols. Par. in 1518, leaving issue a dau. Joan who m. J. Bird.

To p. 48. —Dr. J. J. Emerson has found the proofs which join John Emerson, of Morland House, to John Emerson, of the North St., 1630. It was an error of mine to state that John Emerson, of Sedgefield, was on the jury; he was not, but was as described a "common calliver," *vide* Cursitor Rolls. The Sedgefield Emersons must not be confused with the East and West Murton Emersons, evidently different families. Whence John Emerson, of Sedgefield, came is unknown, possibly from Bishop's Auckland. Ralf, of Sedgefield, moved to Romanby (Northallerton), Co. York, was a yeoman and went out in female issue, *vide* his will in App.

To pp. 48 and 57.—I do not think Ralf, of Sigston, Co. York, and Ralf, of Romanby, are identical.

To p. 55.—*Vide* previous notes on earliest Yorkshire Emersons.

To p. 62.—Edward should be omitted from this pedigree, also the notes concerning him.

To p. 64.—This pedigree refers to Lord Burleigh's family, *vide* original MS.

To p. 77.—I was able to add Thomas Emerson, of Gt. Dunmow, here and to the Emersons of Herts in the revised proofs, for they were not discovered until July by Mr. F. Johnson.

To p. 81.—Robert Emerson's description as "curryer" is open to speculation. This may mean a currier of leather or a "courrier" on the great post system, for the words were often spelt in the same way in old days. If Eliz. Brewster, his son Thomas' wife, was a daughter of William Brewster, the Postmaster at Scrooby and famous elder of the Pilgrim Fathers, I should incline to the latter reading, and then the use of the field, Muggle's Dale (*vide* Cap. VI.), could be understood for pasture for horses—for curing leather it was useless—and as Robert was not an agriculturalist his possession of it has to be explained.

To p. 109.—The Cottenham (Cambs) Emersons are descended from the ancient Cottenham Emersons, *vide* Cap. IV.

To p. 142.—Mr. A. Emerson has moved to London, N., and writes me he does not claim any arms.

To sheet (key pedigree).—The line between Thomas Emeryson, Commissioner of Arrays, 1413, and his son Thomas = Johanna, should be dotted as not proven. I think a Robert should intervene here.

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APPENDIX OF AUTHORITIES

ABSTRACTED FROM

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EMERSON, EMMERSON AND EMBERSON WILLS,

PROBATES, INVENTORIES, ADMINISTRATIONS, ETC.,

At the different Probate Registries in Great Britain.

The earliest wills are those enrolled in the Court of Hustings (beginning 1258), next the early wills at Doctors' Commons begin 1350, but it must be remembered that until 32 Henry VIII. a testator could not dispose of a single foot of land by *will*—but only of money and personal property by *testament*, which was rarely signed and was ofttimes not written, but made by death-bed *testament* before witnesses, such being called a *nuncupative* will. If a person died without making any such declaration, an administration was granted in early days to his ordinary, but later on his next-of-kin.*

Thousands of wills have been destroyed; one clerk at the Durham Registry in past days having lighted his pipe with them, and chuckled jocosely every time, "There goes another testator." Mr. Howe, of that Registry, estimates some 10,000 Durham wills, etc., have been lost for the period between 1540 and 1700. Many of the Registry indexes are badly done, and some wills are at out-of-the-way, "peculiar courts," so that, as in most work of this kind, the records here given are but very fragmentary; but I have tried to secure all wills existing to-day from the earliest record (generally in the sixteenth century) to 1700, omitting only the comparatively unimportant "peculiar courts."

There are, no doubt, other wills buried in private collections and at various public libraries, but all that are to be found at the various Registries in England and Wales, at Somerset House, and at the P.R.O. at Dublin and Edinburgh, are here given up to 1700.

I have printed the Durham wills in sections or groups, representing as nearly as possible the various families and the districts where they lived in early times.

DURHAM WILLS.

DURHAM CITY.

20 Mar., 1561. Will of Lyonell Emerson, of the Hunter Banks, in the parish of St. Oswalds in the City of Durham, my bodie to be buried within the Church of St. Oswalds. To my brother Rauffe, all my principal rayment. To my sister "Stellings'" children every one of them a shepe hogge. To Jane Wilson and her sonne Robert Wilson 4 ewes. To Davie Gibson two children each of them one ewe and 1 lambe. To Jane Emerson, one cowe, 4 ewes and 4 lambe. Residue to my mother and make her Executrix.

25 Mar., 1567. Will of Janet Emerson, of Hunter banks, in the parish of St. Oswalds in the City of Durham, Widow. To be buried in St. Oswalds Church so nigh my husband's grave as convenient. To my Daughter "Stellings' "children—five in number—a gimmer hogge each besides my sonne Lyonnell's bequest. To my Daughter Jane Wilson, Widow, a yewe. To John Gibson and Janet Gibson, my Daughter's children, a yewe each. To Janet Emerson, my Daughter a Daughter, £3 6s. 8d. in money. Residue of my goods to my sonne Rauff and appoint him Executor.

Oct., 1587. Probate (of this date) of Ralph Emerson, of the parish of Saint Oswald, in the City of Durham, was granted to Thomas Wright, of —— and Robert Knaggs, of Broom, in the parish of St. Oswalds, the lawful Guardians and Tutors of Ralph and Margaret Emerson, the children of the said deceased (during minority).

Ap., 1661. Administration of the goods of John Emerson, of the city of Durham, Committed to George Emerson, the Father of deceased.

Dated 19 Dec., 1664; proved 1665. Will of Anthony Emmerson, of Gilligate in the City of Durham, Dyer. To my grandchild Anthony Emerson, the son of Thomas Emmerson, draper, a parcel of ground on Sherburn Moore in the parish of Pittington, also one house in Gilligate, also a house in Claypath in the said City adjoining to Thomas Emmerson on the East, and if my said grandchild shall die without issue I then devise the above premises to my son Thomas Emmerson and my Daughter Alice Wycliffe equally between them. I appoint the said Anthony Emerson and my said Daughter Alice Wycliffe Executors. Inventory, £35 3s. 8d.

Dated 8 Jan., 1666; proved 1666. Will of Thomas Emerson, of the Cittie of Durham, Cordwainer. I direct to be buried in the parish Church of Saint Nicholas in the said City. To my loving sister, Alice Snawdon, £5; to my loving Brother, John Watson, of Stanhopp, 12s.; to my Grandson, Thomas Snawdon, the younger, £20; to my Grandson, Gilbert Snawdon, £20; to my Granddaughter, Margaret Snawdon, £50; to my Granddaughter, Jane Snawdon, £50; to James Snawdon's wife for a token, 10s.; to Christopher Whitfield's wife, 10s.; to my Daughter in law, Dorothy Brown, 20s.; to my loving Brother, Jarrard Vickars, £5, to be allowed him in the last payment of £30 which he oweth me as by a Bond will appear; to the wife of George Anderson as a token, 5s. Residue of my estate to my son in law Thomas Snawdon and his wife Elizabeth, and also give them the house I now dwell in and make them Executors. Amount of Inventory, £227 5s. 10d.

Dated 16 Jan., 1668; proved 1670. Will of Katherine Emmerson, of the City of Durham, Spinster. Whereas by Deed Poll bearing date 16th day of June, 1655, appointed limited and given unto my loving Cosins, Anthony Meaburn, of Pontop, in the County of Durham, Gentleman, and William Mowbrey, late of the Town and County of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Merchant deceased, or the survivor and their , All these messuages, lands, tenements, with their appurtenances called Ludwell, and all my customary lands and Tenements within the parish of Stan-

* W. Rye, "Record Searching." Second Edition.

hopp or elsewhere in the County of Durham aforesaid, and all moneys raised therefrom. Now my mind is and I desire that my said cosin Anthony Meaburne (being the survivor) before making sale of my aforesaid property to offer the same to my lovinge Uncle, John Emmerson, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Merchant and Alderman, if he will give the full worth of them; but if he refuse such offer, then to sell the same to whomsoever will give the most for it, and the money so raised to be given as follows:—"To the poor of the parish of Stanhopp, £10. To the poor Catholics in and about the City of Durham, 40s. To the poor Catholics in and about the said town of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 40s. To my poor neighbours in Crossgate, in the City of Durham, as under:—To Robert Burn, 5s.; to Francis Cortley, 5s.; Thomasine Rennison, 2s. 6d.; Ann Comyn. 2s. 6d.; Mary Comyn, 2s. 6d.; Elizabeth Jackson, 2s. 6d.; Elinor Barker, 2s. 6d. I give and bequeath to Miles Carr, Gentleman, £450, and also £50 to such uses as I have given instructions by word of mouth unto John Metcalfe, Gentleman, and others. I give £50 to my trusty and good friends Mr. Brown, Mr. John Metcalfe, Mr. Matthew Chambers and Thomas Pinkney, to be disposed of by them in such manner as I have given them instructions by word of mouth. I give unto the three Daughters and children of my said uncle, Mr. John Emmerson, £15 equally between them. I give unto the two Daughters of my uncle, Christopher Emmerson, late deceased, £20 between them. To John Emmerson, son of my said uncle Christopher, £30. To my Aunt, Elizabeth Mowbray, £5, and to her two Daughters, £10 between them. To my cosin, George Mowbray, £10; also to the children of my cousin, Jane Mowbray, £5. To my cousin, Mrs. Isabella Butler, 20s.; and to her Daughter, Katherin Buttler, to whom I was Godmother, £100; and also to my cosin, George Milburn, Esqre., £20; and to my cosin John Lawes, £5; and to my cosin, Margaret Chapman, 20s.; and the like to my cosin, Katherine Stobbs; and unto Katherine Pinkney, Isabella Punshon, Katherine Bee and Margaret Mowbray, my goddaughters, each £5. To my cosin, Anthony Meaburne, of Trimdon, £20; and to Wm. Lawes and Ralph Conyers, my godsmans, 20s. apiece; and also to my God-daughter, Katherine Hilyard, 20s.; also I desire that 42 shillings when my said loving Brother, George Emmerson, deceased, owing to one John Elliott, part of money for a horse he bought. To my loving cosin, James Mickleton, Esqre., £5; and to his sone, Michael Mickleton, £10. To my cosin, Margaret Gray (now wife of Robert Gray), my silver tankard and my silver spoons, and also my seller of bottles." (Other small legacies to friends followeth.) I nominate and appoint my well-beloved friends and Kinsman, the said George Milburne, Esqr., James Mickleton, Esq., and Thomas Pearson, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, Gent., Executors. I desire my loveing Uncle, John Emmerson, to be Supervisor of my Will.

Dated about 10 Ap., 1666; proved 1668. Nuncupative Will of Ellinor Emerson, of Broome, near Durham, Widow. To my graudchildren Thomazine and Katherine Brass, two cupboards and all my goods. I desire my Brother, Mr. Thomas Bullocke, to enter upon all my goods for the use and benefit of my said grandchildren.

Dated 6 Nov., 1685; proved 1686. Will of Anthony Emmerson, of Gilligate, in the City of Durham, Gentleman. My leasehold property which I have in the said City I give to my only child, Anthony Emmerson, and his heirs. To Thomas Hunter now with me, £10. To John Grievson yearly the sum of £6. Residue to my wife, Jane Emmerson, and appoint her and my said son Authony Executors. To my servant, William Dickinson, 40s. To the poor of Gillygate to be added to the parish stock, £5. I leave the Tuition of my said son to my Uncle, Edward Kirby.

BREARTON (PAR STRANTON).

Will dated 7 Oct., 1582; proved 1582. Will of Francis Emerson, of Brierton, in the County of Durham, Yeoman, to be buried in the Church of Stranton. To Katherine, my wyfe, my black mare and feather bed. To Francis Emerson, my sonne, a baye mare and a cupboarde that was my Uncle's. To Bartholomew Emerson, my sone, a bay colt stagg which is at Heslingdon. To Isabella Emerson, my Daughter, a braided whye and half of my household stuff which was in my house before I married my last wife. To Katherine Emerson, my Daughter, the other halfe of my household stuff. To George Emerson, my sonne, such right and title which I might have had in a certain farme of George Hall, my eldfather, by a certain deed of gift. To my sonne, John Emerson, a loade of Bigge. To my Daughter, Allis Williss, one bowle of wheate.

Dated about 26 Aug., 1590; proved 1590. Noncupative Will of Bartholomew Emerson, of Stranton, whereby he gave all his goods to his Brother, Francis Emerson, and his Sister, Kathren Robinson, dwelling at Yarm, and Godfray Emerson, the Son of John Emerson, equally among them; and further directed that no part of his estate should go to his Brother Robinson or his Sister at Shotton, in the County of Durham. N.B.—The above Testator was the Son of Francis Emerson, a Husbandman of Stranton, and at the time of his death certain evidence was adduced shewing that he was only 14 years of age, and not of lawful years to make a Will.—J. H. H.

Dated 16 July, 1597; proved 1598. Will of John Emerson, of Brearton, in Stranton parish in the County of Durham, Husbandman. To be buried in Stranton Churchyard at the South Chauncerie door. To my wife the black hawket cowe. To my sone, Godfraye Emerson, a redd Stott. To my sone, John Emerson, a branded stirke. To my sone, Thomas Emerson, one black Quye. To my Daughter, Margaret Emerson, a Quye. To my Daughter, Elynor Emerson, a Quye stirke. Residue to my wife and my three sons Godfraye Emerson, John Emerson and Thomas Emerson, and make them Executors. Inventory, datde 29 Sept., 1597, and apprized by four indifferent men, namely, Robert Emerson, Symon Emerson, Cuthbert Renton and John Crawe. Debts owing by Testator—Item: To Francis Emerson to be paid at Mychaelmas, 13s. 4d.; more to be paid to the said F. E. at Martinmas, £7; more to be paid to the said F. E. at Martinmas, twelve months after, £7 12s.; To Symon Emerson, £2.

Dated 28 June, 1610; proved 1610. Will of Edward Emerson, of Stranton, in the County of Durham, Husbandman, my bodie to be buried in the Church of Stranton. I give the Lease of my farm at Stranton to my wyfe, Agnes Emmerson, towards bringing up our children. To my Daughter, Isabella Emerson, 3 ewes and 2 lambes in consideration of certain shepe which were given her by Rowland Gibsone. I give the thirde part of my goods (commonly called the Dead man's part) to my five children, viz., Lawrence Emmerson, Robert Emmerson, William Emmerson, Christopher Emmerson and Isabella Emmerson. I desire my two brethren, William Emmerson and Ralph Gibson, to look after my children.

Dated 26 Mar., 1612; proved 1612. Will of William Emmerson, of Stranton, in the County of Durham, Yeoman. I direct to be buried in the chancel of Stranton beside my father. I give my two farms at Stranton to my wife, Lettuce Emmerson, to bring up my children, and after her death I give the said farms to my eldest sone, Thomas Emmerson, and he to pay to his natural Brothers on his entrance to the farms 40s. each. To my three Daughters, Jane, Isabella and Elizabeth, £6 13s. 4d. each, and the like sum to the childe of my wife's womb if it be a Daughter, and if a sone as much as his other Brothers. To William Emmerson, son of William Emmerson, a lambe; and to Isabella Emmerson, his Sister, a lambe. To John Allen, Vicar of Stranton, 10s. I appoint my said wife sole Executrix.

15 Dec., 1615. Administration of Thomas Emerson, of Stranton, Committed to Lettuce Emerson, the mother of deceased, for benefit of Robert, Jane, Symon, Christopher and Elizabeth Emerson, the Brothers and Sisters of the deceased.

Dated 18 Aug., 1619; proved 1619. Will of Godfrey Emmerson, of Brearton, in the parish of Stranton, Yeoman, to be buried in the Churchyard of Stranton. To my younger son, Richard Emmerson, one ox stirke. To my young Daughters, Ann and Alice Emmerson, and the Son of my Brother, John Emmerson, Owtonn, each a lambe. Residue to my wyfe, Margaret Emmerson, and my two sonns, John and Richard Emmerson, and appoint them Executors. Witnesses to Will, Christopher Emmerson. Amount of Inventory, £184 17s. 8d.

Dated 30 Mar., 1626; proved 1626. Will of Christopher Emerson, of Bryerton, in the parish of Stranton, Yeoman, to be buried in the parish Church of Stranton. To my son, Robert Emerson, a Grey filley. To my son, Thomas Emerson, a baye Fillie. To my sone William, a broad headed browne quye. To my Daughter Elizabeth, £8, and appoint her natural Mother, my wyfe, Jane Emerson, to be her guardian. To my Daughter Jane, a browne quye. To my Cozen, Symon Emerson, of Stranton, 20s. To Bryan Jackson, my Brother-in-law, 20s. To my Brother, John Emerson, 20s. To Mr. Allen, Vicar of Stranton, 20s. of that fortie shillings which he oweth me. I appoint my nephew, Symon Emerson, and my Brother-in-law, Bryan Jackson, Supervisors. I appoint my wyfe, Jane Emerson, and my son, Robert Emerson, Executors. Amount of Inventory, £182 19s. 8d.

Dated 13 Sept., 1658; proved 1671. Will of Lawrance Emerson, of Stranton, in the County of Durham. To be buried in Stranton churchyard. I appoint my wife Sole Executor. To my eldest son, John Emerson, my house and garth after the decease of his mother. To my sonne, Chris-

topher Emerson, the three acres of land lying in John Richardson's field. I direct my son Christopher shall pay to my Daughter Jane £5, and my said son John shall do likewise. Amount of Inventory, £9 18s. 4d.

IRESEYBURN, EAST AND WEST BLACKDEAN, LYNRIGG, WEARHEAD, BURNHOP AND WELLHOP.

July, 1616. Administration of the goods of George Emerson, of Ireseyburn, in the County of Durham, Comitted to Margaret Emerson of the same place, Widow, the Relict, for benefit of her self and Isabella, Anne, Margaret, Elizabeth and Thomas Emerson, the Children. Sureties, Lancelot Chapman of Newlands and George Chapman of Wolsingham.

10 May, 1617; proved 1617. Noncupative Will of Thomas Emerson, of Ireshopeburn in the parish of Stanhope, to be buried in the Churchyard of Stanhope. To my Daughter Annes Emerson, £13 6s. 8d.; to Cuthbert Emerson, son of Awthor Emerson, £10; to Thomas Emerson, son of Awthor Emerson, £10; to Arthur Emerson, my sonn's Son, £10; to Anne Emerson and Janet Emerson, the Daughters of Awthor Emerson, my sone, £10; to John Nattras, my son-in-law, all my apparell, and to every one of his five children, each a lambe. Residue to my sone Awthor Emerson and appoint him Executor. Debts owing by Testator—Item: to Awthor Emerson of the Earnewell, 16s. 6d.

Dated 4 Dec., 1632; proved 1634. Will of Thomas Emerson the Elder, of Irseyburn, in Weardale in the parish of Stanhopp, Yeoman. I direct to be buried in the Church or Churchyard of Stanhope. To the poor of the parish of Stanhope, 12s. To my sone John Emerson, £3; to my sone Cuthbert Emerson, who is now beyond sea, as I do suppose, £10, to be paid unto him if ever he doe come to this countrie to demand the same himselfe, or otherwise my Executors hereafter named not to be charged with the payment of any part thereof; to my Daughter Elizabeth, 20s.; to Ann Emerson, Daughter to my sonne William Emerson, 20s. Residue of goods to my sonnes Thomas Emerson and Ralph Emerson and appoint them Executors. Inventory of the above prized 18 Dec., 1633, by William Emmerson, Ralph Stobbs, Cuthbert Emerson the Elder, and Cuthbert Emerson the younger. Amount of Inventory, £71 10s. 6d. Debts owing by above Testator—Owing to Margaret Emerson, Daughter of John Emerson of Burnhoppe, late deceased, £10. Owing to John Emerson of Burtriforde, 40s.

Dated about 25 March, 1643; proved 1645. Noncupative Will of Thomas Emerson of Ayresayburn in the parish of Stanhope. Whereby he did forgive his mother Margaret Emerson 20s., which she oweth him. To his four sisters, one year's rent of profits and crops of the High Field and Hulls Field. Residue of his goods betwixt his wife and sonns and make them Executors. Inventory of Testator's estate dated 29 May, 1643, and prazed by William Emerson, Thomas Emerson, Cuthbert Emerson and John Lonsdaile.

Dated 14 Oct., 1657; proved 1662. Will of William Emmerson, of Ireshopeburn in Weardale in the County of Durham, Yeoman. To my son William Emmerson, £24 to be paid in three payments; to my son Thomas Emmerson, one Table, one counter, one chair, etc., as long as my wife Scicely liveth; to my son John Emmerson, all my husbandry gear. Residue of my estate to my said wife and my sonne, John Emmerson, and appoint them Executors. I direct to be buried in the parish Churchyard of Stanhope. Amount of Inventory, £68 10s. 0d.

Sept., 1699. Administration of etc. of Thomas Emerson, of Ireshopeburn in Weardaile, was Committed to Elizabeth Emerson, the lawful Widow and Relict of the deceased. Surety to Bond, John Emmerson of Ireshopeburn, Yeoman.

Oct., 1670. Administration of the goods of Ralph Emmerson, of Wellhope, in the parish of Stanhope, Committed to John Emmerson, the Son of the deceased; Ann Emmerson, the lawful Widow and Relict of the deceased, having renounced administration.

Dated 2 Ap., 1634; proved 1634. Will of Cuthbert Emerson, of the Earnwell, in Wardell Forrest, in the parish of Stanhopp, Yeoman. To be buried in the parish churchyard of Stanhope. To my sister Anas, £2. To my sister Margery two Daughters, £1 10s. To my sister Margaret, her Daughter, £1. To the poor of the parish of Stanhope, £3. I give the residue to my wife Janie (alias) Denne, and my Daughter Annas, and appoint them Executrixes. Debts owing by Testator—To his sister Anne, now the wife of Richard Hodgson, of Durham, Cordwayner, for her portion, £77 5s. 4d. Amount of Inventory, £427 17s. 2d.

Date of Will, 22 Mar., 1576. Will of Cuthbert Emerson, of Burnhopeside, in the parish of Stanhoppe. To be buried in the Churchyarde of Stanhoppe. To my eldest sonne, Cuthbert Emerson, one Kowe. To my sonne John, one Kowe. To my sonne George, one Kowe. To my sonne Nycholas, one Kowe. To Cuthbert Emerson, the Son of Nicholas Emerson, 2 gimmer hogges. To George Emerson, one stirke. Residue of my goods to my son, Rolland Emerson, and appoint him Executor.

10 Ap., 1620. Administration of John Emerson, of Burnop, parish of Stanhope, Committed to Margaret Emerson, the Widow, for benefit of self, and Christopher, Anne and Margaret Emerson, the children.

Dated 11 Nov., 1663; proved 1664. Will of Cuthbert Emerson, of Burnhoop, in the parish of Stanhope, Yeoman. To be buried in the churchyard of Stanhope. To my Daughter, Elizabeth Emerson, £40. To my Daughter, Mary Emerson, £40. To Robert Emerson, alias Featherston, one bill, £3 6s. 6d., which Mr. William Blacket, of Woodecroft, oweth me. To Ralph Emerson, my Brother, one coat and shirte. To my wife Jane my Lease which I hold of the Dean and Chapter of Durham, and after her decease to my son, Cuthbert Emerson, when he attains 21 years. I appoint my said wife sole Executrix of this my Will. Inventory, £108 15s.

Dated 24 Oct., 1659; proved 1662. Will of Thomas Emerson, of Easterblack-deane, in Weredale, in the County of Durham, Yeoman. To my Mother, £10. To my Brother, Samuel Emerson, 15 sheepe. To each of my Brother William's children, one sheepe. To the poor of the parish of Stanhope, 10s. To Isabella Cuthbert, 3s. Residue of my estate to my Brother, Cuthbert Emerson, and make him Executor. Amount of Inventory, £38 8s. 6d. Arthur Emerson one of the Appraisors.

Nov., 1681. Administration of the goods of George Emmerson, of Easter black Dean, in the Chapelry of St. John's, Weardale, Committed to Thomas Emmerson, the Son, of Easterblack Dean. Surety to Bond, Nicholas Emmerson, of Brotherlee, Yeoman.

20 Sept., 1669. Inventory of the goods of Thomas Emerson, the younger, of Lingerridge, Weardale, Yeoman. Appraisors, Ralph Gibson, Thomas Fetherstone, Ralph Emerson and John Emerson. Amount of Inventory, £104 10s. 6d.

Ap., 1632. Will of Arthur Emmerson, of Wearhead. Will proved this date by Elizabeth Emmerson, Widow, the Relict, the Sole Executor for benefit of Arthur, Jane, Ralph, Margaret and Elizabeth, children.

1676. Administrations of Cuthbert, Margaret and John, decayed and rubbish and illegible.—J. H. Howe.

Dated 12 Aug., 1678; proved 1678. Will of Cuthbert Emerson, of Wearhead, in the parish of Stanhope, Yeoman. To my son John Emerson of Wearhead, Yeoman, two Cuberts and all bedsteads and an Arkle, etc., upon condition that he pays £20 to my Daughter Elizabeth Emerson of Wearhead, Singlewoman. Residue to my said Daughter, and appoint her Executrix. Amount of Inventory, £46 1s. 6d.

Oct., 1673. Tuition Bond of John Emmerson and Elizabeth Emmerson, being the natural and lawful children of Cuthbert Emmerson, of Wearhead, deceased, was committed to Cuthbert Emmerson, of Lynegarth, in the County of Durham, Yeoman, and John Nattras, of Wearhead, Yeoman, Guardians of these children. Sureties to Bond, Thomas Emmerson, of Ireshopeburne, Yeoman, and Cuthbert Emmerson, of Greenwell in the said County, Yeoman.

HORSLEY, LUDWELL, BURTRESFORD, SHORTHORNS AND SWINHOPE.

Dated 17 Mar., 1567. Will of Margaret Emerson, the late wife of John Emerson, of Ludwell. To Jane Emerson, my daughter, two Kye and 4 yewes; to Alice Emerson, my Daughter, a whye stirke; to John Emerson, the Sone of Richard Emerson, a yewe and 2 lambes; to Cuthbert Emerson, my sonne, a hawkett; to Thomas Bensone, the clarke, a lambe. Residue to Lyonnel Emerson, to Ric. Emerson, Cuthbert Emerson, Robt. Emerson and Christopher Emerson, my sones, and Jane Emerson, my Daughter, whom I also make Executors. Supervisors, Michael fettstonhaugh, Esquire, and Anthony Nevell, Gentleman. Witnesses to Will, John Wright, Robt. Emerson of —— Cuthbert Wright, Thomas Benson, the Curate of Stanhope-in-Wardell, with others. Inventory dated 3 April, 1567, praised by iiij. sworn men, viz., Anthony Nevell, Gentleman, John Wright, Cut bart Wright and Robert Emerson. P.S.—I imagine that the above Testator belonged to the parish of Stanhope or the Wearside district and that the address "Sunderland" given in the index is wrong. J. H. H.

Dated 7 March, 1586; proved 1587. Will of Robert Emerson, of Ludwell within the Park of Stanhopp, Yeoman. To be buried in the Chgarth of Stanhopp. To my youngest son Brian Emerson, 4 sheepe; to my Daughter Margaret

Emerson, 4 shepe; to Richard Atkinson, a gimmer hogge with the wool on it. Residue to my wyfe Allison Emerson, Arthur Emerson and Brian Emerson, my sonns, and my Daughter Margaret Emerson, and make them Executors. Witnesses to Will, George Emerson, of West Yeat (Gate) John Atkinson, George Emerson, of Ludwell, and Robert Emerson, of gatte castell.

Dated 24 July, 1588; proved 1589. Will of Richard Emerson, of Ludwell, within the Park of Stanhopp, Yeoman, to be buried within the Chgarth of Stanhopp. To the poor Widows of the parish, 8s. 4d. To my sonne, George Emerson, my tenement where I now dwell in, which I bought of my Brother Lyonel Emerson, of Ryedell in Yorkshire; to my sone, John Emerson, 3 Kye; to Michael Fetherstonhaugh, Brother was Ralph Fetherstonhaugh, one ewe; to John Fetherstonhaugh, the parish Clerk of Stanhope, a shepe; to my sonns George Emerson and Robert Emerson, my household stuff, and make Mr. John Fetherstonhaugh, Esquire, Supervisor of my Will.

10 March, 1626. Administration of Arthur Emerson, of Ludwell, Committed to Jane Emerson, the Widow, for benefit of self and Robert, Margaret, Elizabeth and Brien Emerson, the children.

May, 1667. Administration of Robert Emerson, of Ludwell, parish of Stanhope, Com. to Maria Emerson, Widow, the Relict. Inventory, £48.

Dated 10 Dec., 1637; proved 1667. Will of Arthur Emerson, of Shortthornes, in the forest of Weardall, in the parish of Stanhopp. To be buried in Christian burial in the parish Churchyard of Stanhopp. To my Brother Thomas Emerson's six children, of Burtreeford, 6s. a piece. To my Brother John Emerson's six children, 6s. a piece. To my sister Margaret Lee's three children 6s. a piece. To my son-in-law, Thomas Emerson, £5. All the above legacies are to be paid by my son, John Emerson, out of the following debts owing to me, viz.:—Ralph Gibson, £12 14s. 6d.; James Viccars, £7 7s.; James Viccars, £5; Cuthbert Peart, £4 4s.; Thomas Emerson, £3. I am owing the following debts:—to Reginald Fawcett, of Newcastle, my brother-in-law, £4 16s; to Thomas Emerson, my son-in-law, £20. Residue to my son and heir, John Emerson, and appoint him Executor.

10 Dec., 1676. Administration of the goods of John Emerson, of Swinhopeburn, in the parish of Stanhope, Committed to Margery Emerson, of the same place, Widow, for the use of John Emerson, Jane Emerson and George Emerson, the lawful children of deceased. 2nd Grant.

30 July, 1572. Will of Allye Emerson, of Horsley, in the parish of Stanhope, Widow. To my two sonns, John Emerson, Senior, and John Emerson, Junior, one mare and a foale. To my sonne, John Emerson, the Elder, two Browne Kyne, with one calfe, etc., etc. To my son, George Emerson, one of the best stirkes. To my Son, William Emerson, and to his two children, six shepe. To my daughter in Haughton, Margaret Shawter, four gimmer sheepe. To every children of Rowland Johnson, a lambe. To Maudlam Lambert, a gimmer shepe. To my Daughter, Allye Wright, 6s. 8d. Residue of my goods to my Daughter, Anne Johnson. I appoint my well beloved son, John Emerson the younger, Executor. Witnesses to Will: George Emerson, of Billingshield; George Emerson, of Horsleye; and Richard Rawlinge.

21 Feb., 1578. Will of John Emerson, of Horsley, in the parish of Stanhopp, Yeoman, my bodie to be buried in the Churchyard of Stanhoppe. To my son, Roland Emerson, £7 and 6 ewes to be delivered unto some friende who will take in hand to governe and virtually bringe up the same childe. To Anne Johnson and Allyce Wright, my sister, a cowe. To Ann Johnson, my sister's Daughter, a quie. To Ralph Emerson and Francis Emerson, either of them a hog. To the poor of Stanhope, 2s. To John Emerson, William Emerson, Roland Johnson, Wright, my Brethern, each of them two yards of darsay. Residue to my Brother, George Emerson, and appoint him Executor.

Dated ——; proved 1590. Will (without a date) of George Emerson, of Horsleye, in the County of Durham. To be buried in the Church or Churchyard at Stanhopp. To my sister, Ann Johnson, one Cowe. To Frances Emerson, one Cowe. To my sister, Allison Wreight, one Cowe. To Ralph Emerson, 20 lambs and 3 stirkes, and the interest of my lease in Stanhopp Park, and the residue of my estate I give to my Brother, William Emerson, Rowland Johnson and Ralph Emerson, and make them Exors. Inventory, £74.

Dated 26 June, 1609; proved 1609. Will of William Emerson, of Low Horsley, in the parish of Stanhope. To be buried in the churchyard of Stanhopp. To my son, Ralph Emerson, £6, which Peter Wright oweth me. To my said son, Ralph Emerson, and my Daughter Frances, either of them four beaste gaites which I have of Ralph Trotter. Also to my said son Ralph, £6, which George Emerson the Elder, of Eastgate, oweth me. Residue of my estate to my said son and Daughter, and appoint them Executors. Debts owing to Testator—Item, Robert Emerson, of Sundeland, 3s. 4d.; item, George Emerson, of Eastgait, £7; item, Ralph Emerson, £4 12s. 3d. Amount of Inventory, £195 13s. 4d. Debts owing to Testator, £102 13s. 4d.

Dated 16 Oct., 1655; proved 1673. Will of William Emerson, of Lowhorsley, in the parish of Stanhope. To be buried in the Church or Churchyard of the said parish. To the poor of the parish of Stanhope, 40s. To my eldest son, Ralph Emerson, my great Bible and my sword. To my second son, John Emerson, £150. To my son, William Emerson, £100. To my Daughter, Margaret Emerson, £50. To the three youngest Daughters, Ann, Margery and Catherson, £40 each. Residue to my son, Ralph Emerson. Executrix, my loving wife, Margery Emerson. From Inventory:—Due to Testator from one Jane Emerson, of Eastgate, by Bond dated 30 January, 1642, £46. More due from the said Jane Emerson by another Bond, dated 30th April, 1644, £8 3s. 8d.

Dated 1 Dec., 1634; proved 1634. Will of John Emmerson the Elder, of Burtreeford in the parish of Stanhope, Yeoman. To be buried in the Churchyard of Stanhope. To my son John Emerson, £15; to my Daughter, Agnes, £6.; to my Daughter, Margaret, £6; to my Sister, Jane Emerson, a yewe and a lambe. I appoint my sons Arthur Emerson and Thomas Emerson, Executors. Inventory dated 13 December, 1634, and apprized by Arthur Emerson, Thomas Emerson, John Emerson and Cudbert Emerson. Amount of Inventory, £118 16s. 7d. Debts owing to Testator—Item: William Emerson, of Linebrige, oweth, £1 1s. 8d.; Widowe Emerson, of Aseburne, 14s.; Thomas Emerson, of Blackdeane, to be paid at Mychaelmas next, £2 3s. 4d.; Thomas Emerson, of Sundeland, £4 3s. 4d.; Cudbert Emerson, of Burnope, 8s. 4d.; Thomas Emerson, of Brotherlee, 11s. 8d.

Dated 19 April, 1661; proved 1667. Will of this Date of Elizabeth Emerson, of Burtriford in the parish of Stanhope in the County of Durham, Widow. To my son, Ralph Emerson, £2; to my Daughter, Elizabeth Walton, £2; to my Daughter Jane Fetherston's children each, 10s.; to John Bell, son of my Daughter Ann, £2; to Isabella Emerson, wife to my son Arthur Emerson, £2; to my Daughter, Margaret Emerson, £2; to Cuthbert Emerson, son to my Daughter Margaret, 10s. Residue of my goods to my sonne Thomas Emerson of Burtriford upon condition that he pays my debts. Inventory of the goods of the above Elizabeth Emerson prazed and viewed by fower men, namely, Cuth. Emerson, Thomas Emerson, Arthur Emerson and John Emerson. Amount of Inventory, £27 17s. 0d.

Dated 1st January, 1699; proved 1699. Will of John Emerson, of Burtreeford, in the parish of Stanhope, Yeoman. To be buried in the Churchyard of Stanhope. To the poor of the parish of Stanhope, 5s. I give and devise all my goods and estate to my Daughter, Margrett Emerson, and appoint her Executrix. I constitute Joseph Fetherstone, of Butreford, and William Emerson, of Eastblackdean, in the said County, Yeoman, to be Guardians and Tutors of my said Daughter, Margarett Emerson. Debts owing to deceased—Item: Upon Bond by Joseph Emerson and John Emerson, 10s.; item owing by John Emerson, £1 10s. Amount of Inventory, £119 19s. 1d.

Dated 5 June, 1696; proved 1697. Will of Thomas Emerson, of Burtreeford in Weardaile, in the County of Durham, Yeoman. To the poor of the parish of Stanhope, 10s.; to my grandchild, Elsabeth Nattres, £1; to my grandchild, Mary Nattres, £4; to my Daughter Elsabell Farlem's five children, namely, Ane, John, Margaret, Jane and Cuthbert, each 8s.; to my Daughter Elizabeth, two childer, namely, John and Elizabeth, each, £1; to my Daughter Ane Peart's threes childer, namely, Mary, Jane and Ane, each, 13s. 4d.; to my son John Emerson's two childer, Margret and Thomas, each, £1. Residue of my estate to my son, John Emerson, and appoint him sole Executor. Witnesses to Will, John Emerson, Jr., William Emerson, and John Emerson, Senr. Amount of Inventory, £72 10s.

Dated 18 Ap., 1704; proved 1707. Will of John Emerson, Senior, of Butreeford, in Weredaile, Yeoman. To be buried in the Churchyard of Stanhope. To the poor of the parish of Stanhope, 10s.; to my Daughter Ann, 5s.; to my Daughter Sarah, £20; to my Daughter Jane, £20; to my Daughter Rachell, £20; to my son Thomas, £20; to my son John Emerson, two cupboards; to my Daughters, Jane, Sarah and Rachell, all the residue of my household goods. Residue of my estate to my son John Emerson and appoint him Executor. Amount of Inventory, £19 8s. 0d. Witness to Will, John Emerson.

GATE CASTLE, BROTHERLEE, SMALLBURNS, STOTFOLDBURNE, SUNDERLAND AND AMBLING GATE.

Dated ——, proved 1583. Will (without a Date) of William Emerson, of Brotherlee in the parish of Stanhopp, Yeoman. To be buried in the church or churchyard of Stanhopp. To Jane Emerson, my maid servant, one younge whi. Residue of goods to my sone William and appoint him Executor, but direct him to pay to my sone Thomas at the end of 5 years the sum of £6 13s. 4d. I further command my said son William, to pay to my sone Edward, at the end of 5 years £10, and further to pay to my son Robert at the end of 4 years, £4 6s. 8d. Debts owing unto William Emerson of Brotherlee at the time of his death, namely, the 4 February, 1583—Item from John Emerson the Elder, of Burnhopp, £4; item from John Emerson, the younger, of Burnhopp, £1 4s.; item from Chris. Emerson, 6s.; item from Nicholas Emerson 2s. 8d.; item from William Emerson of the Frear Medowe, 6s. 8d.; item from Lyonel Emerson, 8d.; item from Widowe Emerson, of the Earnwell, 4s. 6d.; item from Thomas Emerson, of the Earnwell, 10s. item from Alison Emerson, of Lynescarth, 6s. 8d.; item from Arthur Emerson, of Linerig, 7s. 4d.; item from George Emerson, of Ireshopeburne, 6d.; item from George Emerson, of Burtreford, 1s. 2d.; item from Ralph Emerson, of the Springe, 10s.; item from Robert Emerson, 6s. 2d.; item from William Emerson, of Barneton, £1; item from George Emerson, of Billinghill (in lent money), 18s. 6d.; to the same George, 13s. 4d.; item from John Emerson of Stotsfoldburne, £2 17s. 6d.; to same John, 16s.; to same John, 12s.

Dated 27 Mar., 1609; proved 1609. Will of Nicholas Emerson, of Brothley. To be buried within the churchyard of Stanhopp. To my eldest sonne, John Emerson, 10 gimmers and one browne mare; to my son, Thomas Emerson, 4 quies; to my sone, Christopher Emerson, one cowe. Residue to my loving wife Jane and my Daughter Ane and make them Executors.

June 8, 1622. Will of Arthur Emerson, of Brotherlee, in the parish of Stanhope, was proved by Ann Emerson, Widow, the Relict of the Testator. Witnesses to Will, Guy Watson and Ralph Stobbs Amount of Inventory, £141 9s. 6d.

Dated 5 Jan., 1698; proved 1698. Will of Nicholas Emerson, of Brotherlee, in Weardale, Yeoman. My body to be buried in the Churchyard of Stanhope. To the poor of the parish of Stanhope, 20s.; to my son, Nicholas Emerson one guinney. The rest of my goods whatsoever I give and bequeath unto Ann Emerson, my wife, and Anne Emerson, my Daughter, and make them joint Executrix·s. Amount of Inventory, £139 12s. 0d.

14 July, 1675. Administration of William Emerson, of Ambling Gate in the parish of Stanhope. Committed to Elizabeth Emmerson, the lawful Widow and Relict of the deceased. 1st Grant.

14 July, 1675. Tuition of the goods of the above William Emerson Committed to the said Elizabeth Emerson for the benefit of —— Emerson, Lyonell, Elizabeth and Mary Emmerson, children of deceased (now minors). 2nd Grant.

Dated 3 Dec., 1563. Will of Edmund Emerson, of Gate Castell, my bodie to be buried in the Churchgarth of Stanhoppe. I will that my wyfe. Jane Emerson, shall occupy my farmholde for the term of 7 years, and afterwards my goods to be divided among my children, and if my wyfe and my son Alexander cannot agree as to the division at the end of 7 years, then my estate shall be divided by the Order of Mr. Authore Novell, Rauf Novell, Robert Emerson my cosing and Richard Emerson of ludwell and appoint them Supervisors. Residue to my said wife and seven children. Witnesses to Will, Richard Emerson, Adam Emerson, Robert Emerson, with others.

23 June. 1626. Administration of William Emerson, of Gate Castle, in the parish of Stanhope, committed to William Emerson, the Son, for benefit of Isabella the Widow of deceased, and John, Elizabeth, Katherine and Margaret Emerson, the children of deceased. Will of Wm. Emerson for this year is missing.

Will bearing no date; proved 12 March, 1613. Will of George Emerson the eldest, of Eastgate, in Weardaile, to be buried in the Churchyard of Stanhopp. To Jane Emerson, my Daughter, £50. To my sone Ralph Emerson's children, each a Ewe and one lambe. To my son, Cuthbert Emerson's children, each a Ewe and one lambe. To my son-in-lawe, John Stobbes, his children each a lambe. To my son-in-lawe, Christopher Harrison, his children each a lambe. To my Daughter Catherine's children, each a lambe. To my eldest son George, the residue of my goods, and appoint him Executor. Appraisors of Inventory of the above Testator:—George Emerson, of Ludwell; Cuthbert Emerson, of Fieldhead; Christopher Harrison, of Swinohouse; John Harrison, of Stone Carres.

Dated 10 Oct., 1627; proved 1629. Will of George Emerson, of Eastgate, in the parish of Stanhope. To be buried in the Churchyard of Stanhope. To my Brother, Ralph Emerson, £12 out of the rent of Eastgate. To Edward Burne, who married my Brother Francis's Daughter, 40s. I forgive my sister, Margery Stobbes, £4 which she oweth me. To Christopher Harrison, who married my sister Ann, £10. To Margery Emerson, to bind her apprentice, £5. To my Brother, Ralph Emerson's children, 40s. each. To the poor of Stanhope Parish, 40s. To my Brother Cuthbert's children, 40s. a piece. Residue to my nephew, George Emerson, and Christopher Harrison, my Brother in law, and make them Executors. I make Mr. Fernando Moorcroft, one of the Prebends of Durham Cathedral, and Ralph Emerson of Horsley, Supervisors.

17 Jan., 1569. Will of John Emerson, of Daudre Hole, in Weardell. To be buried in the Churchyard of Stanhopp. I give all my real and personal estate to my wyfe, Janet Emerson, and my fower children, that is to say, Rauf Emerson, Annes Emerson, Elizabeth Emerson and Jane Emersone, whom I also make Executors. Witnesses to will—Thomas Emerson, Ralf Fetherstone, Ralf Emerson and Richard Westwood.

1669. Inventory of the goods of George Emmerson, of Billingshields, in the parish of Stanhope. Amount of Inventory, £16 9s. 4d.

STANHOPE.

Dated 1 Ap., 1573; proved 1573. Will of Edward Emerson, of the parish of Stannop. To be buried in the Churchyard of Stannope. To my Daughter, Margaret Featherstone, Ten — To Ralph Nateris' children, 7s. equally among them. To John Bainbridge's children, 7s. equally among them. To George Emmerson, of the Billingshilde, to his children. To Nicholas Emmerson, my godson, 2s. To Edward Emmerson, my godson, 2s. To Ralph Emmerson, my son, 20s. To Arthur Emmerson, my son, a Bedd (of Barmeton). To Richard Emmerson, my son. Residue to my sons, Christopher and Arthur, and make them Executors. N B.—Will much decayed.

1585, Nov. Probate of the Will of George Emerson, of Stanhoppe, was granted to George Emerson, the Son (by John Gibson, of Iresburn), for the benefit of the said George Emerson, Isabella Emerson and Margaret Emerson, children of the Testator. Surety, Thomas Emerson, of Earnburnewell, in the said County, Husbandman.

1585, June. Administration of the goods of Christopher Emerson, of Stanhope, Committed to Rowland Harrison, of Swinnsburn, in the County of Durham, Husbandman, for the benefit of Janet, Jane, William, Arthur and Ann Emerson, Brothers and Sisters of the deceased. Sureties—Ralph Emerson, of Whitton Gilbert, in the County of Durham; and Richard Younger, of Swinnsburne, aforesaid Husbandman.

Dated 28 Sept., 1592; proved 1593. Will of John Emerson, of Stanhopp-in-Wardell. To my sister, Margaret Emerson, one ewe. To my base begotten Daughter, Frances Emerson, 7 ewes and 6 lambs. To my sister, Jane Emerson, 10s., which Christopher Jackson, of Stanhopp, oweth me. Residue of goods to my mother, Isabella Emerson. To Henry Maddison, my Master, my best hatt. Inventory, £9.

Oct., 1603. Administration of the goods of Ralph Emmerson, of the parish of Stanhope, was granted (this date) to Allison Emerson, the lawful Widow and Relict of the Intestate, for her use and benefit, and also for Agnes and Elizabeth Emerson, children of the deceased (now Minors).

18 Mar., 1609. Inventory of the goods of Cuthbert Emerson, of the parish of Stanhope, praised by four indifferent men, viz., Awther Emerson, George Emerson, Ralph Natras and Awther Emerson, amounting to £115 3s. 10d. Debts owing to the deceased:—Item from Ralph Natres, of Pinfold House, two loads of Ore, £2; item from Author Emerson, of Lyning Rigg, one horse load of Ore, 5s.; item from George Emerson, of Sparkey-le-halfe, a load of Ore, 10s.; item from George Emerson, 8 stones of Ore, 8s. 2d.; item from Thomas Emerson, of Iseybourne, £1 18s. 5d. Debts owing by Testator:—Item to Thoma, Emerson the Elder, £6 11s. 4d.; item to Thomas Emersons £3 13s.; item to John Emerson, of Ling rigg, £2 15s.; item to Robert Emerson, 3s.

Nov., 1617. Will of William Emerson, Senior, of parish of Stanhope, was proved by Margaret Emerson, Widow, the Relict of the Testator. Witnesses to Will, Robert Emerson and Nicholas Harrison.

Nov., 1617. Renunciation of the goods of Administration of William Emerson, the younger, of Stanhope, by the said Margaret Emerson, Widow.

May 4, 1622. Administration of the goods of William Emerson. of Stanhope, Committed to Eleanor Emerson, Widow.

11 Oct., 1624. Administration of William Emerson, of the parish of Stanhope, Committed to Margaret Emerson, the Widow, for benefit of self, and William, John and Katherine Emerson, the children.

2 June, 1626. Will of Joanna Emerson, of the parish of Stanhope, Widow, proved (this Date) by Margerie and Margaret, the Daughters of Testatrix. Power reserved of proving the will was granted Ann Emerson, the Daughter also. Inventory, £213 2s. 8d.

ROOKHOPE, HANGING WELLS, ETC.

Dated 18 Feb., 1598; proved 1599. Will of Roland Emerson, of the Hinginge Wells, in the parish of Stanhopp, Yeoman. To be buried in the Churchyard of Stanhopp. To my sone Roland Emerson one Tenement being in Windie Side in Wairdaile in the said parish of rent 8s. 4d., which I bought, and also two other Tenements at Windie Side, upon condition that he pays his sister Ann Rippon yearly 20s.; to George Emerson, one Quye; to my sone, Hewe Hodgson, 6 Kye. Residue of my estate to my wife, Allas Emerson and appoint her Executrix and put her in trust to bring up my children. Debts owing by Testator—Item: to Arthur Emerson, 19s. 10d.; item to George Emerson, 6s. 8d.

Will dated 13 Mar., 1569. Will of Roland Emerson, of Lynesgarth, in the pish. of Stanhopp, Yeoman. I will that my wyfe Elizabeth Emerson, shall have my farmeholde for her widowright upon it, and bring up my children upon it in the fear of the lorde, and after her death I will that my Daughter, An Emerson, have the tytle and right of the said farmeholde by the Lycense of the lord and she to bring up upon the same her sisters, and to give to Isabell Emerson, my Daughter, at her marriage the sum of five markes. Residue to my said wife, Elizabeth Emerson, Ally Emerson, Anne Emerson, Isabell Emerson and Margaret Emerson, my well-beloved Children, whom I also make Executors. I make Supervisors of will, my well-beloved Brethern, John Emerson and Lancelot Emerson, and my beloved friends, Robert Peitt, Nicholas Fetherston and Thomas Emerson, Junior, of Iresbourne.

Dated 17 Sept., 1659; proved 1660. Will of Rowland Emmerson, of Low Bushopley, in the parish of Stanhope, Yeoman. To the poor of Stanhope, 20s.; to my son George Emmerson of Hinging Wells, Five pounds; to my six children, George, John, Ralph, William, Elizabeth and Margerie Emerson, each 3 ewes; to my son in law George Emerson, of Smale Burns, 20s., and I give to his children, begotten of the body of my Daughter Isabell, late deceased, George, Robert, William, Ralph, Cuthbert, Margaret and Elizabeth Emerson, each, 40s.; to my Daughter in Law, Margaret Emmerson, of Windeside, and to her children, John, Jane and Elizabeth Emmerson, each a lamb. Residue of my estate to my son-in-law, John Mowbray, and appoint him Executor. Amount of Inventory, £169.

Sept., 1674. Tuition Bond of the goods of Robert Emmerson, of Smaleburne, in the parish of Stanhope, Committed to William Emmerson, of Newcastle-on-Tyne (the brother of the said Robert Emmerson), for the benefit of George Emmerson, William Emmerson, John Emmerson and Robert Emmerson, the children of the deceased (now minors). 2nd Grant.

1674. Administration of the goods of Robert Emmerson, of Smaleburne, aforesaid, Committed to Grace Emmerson, the lawful Widow and Relict of the deceased. 1st Grant.

Dated 9 Feb., 1615; proved 1615. Will of Isabella Emerson, of Rookhopeside, in Wardale, in the County of Durham, Widow. To be buried in the Churchgearth of Stanhope. To Thomas Emerson, my Daughter's sone, one whie; to Ellenor Bell, my Daughter's Daughter, one hat; to Fridimond Chapman, my Daughter's Daughter, 3s. 4d.; to Thomas Collingwood, 1s. The residue of my goods, equally among my children. I appoint my son Michael Whitfield, and my son-in-law Lancelot Chapman, Executors. Amount of Inventory, £10 6s. 8d.

HAUGHTON-LE-SKERNE AND BARMPTON.

18 July, 1578. Will of Arthur Emerson, of Haughton. To be buried in the parish Church of Haughton. To my sister, Margaret Fetherstone, one Cowe and one calfe; to my Brother, Christopher Emersone, one whie; to my sister, Ann Nattrass, which she is indebted unto me, 20s.; to the poor of the parish of Stanhoppe, in Wardell, 10s.; to my Brother, Richard Emersone, one stagg. Residue to my Brother Ralf Emersone, Brian Emerson and William Emerson the younger, and make them Executors. I appoint William Emersone, my naturall Brother, Supervisor of my Will. Witnesses to Will, William Emerson and Ralf Emerson.

1604. Administration of the goods of William Emerson, of Haughton, was Committed to William Emerson, the Son of the said deceased.

1606. Inventory of the goods of William Emerson of Barmeton in the parish of Haughton in the County of Durham, Yeoman, dated 24 May, 1606. Inventory of the goods of William Emerson, of Barmeton, of his goods at Fieldheade, in Weardaile. NOTE.—The above Will is lost, and must have been for some time, as a note on the back of the Inventory proves this. No doubt this gentleman would be wealthy. In the year 1605, I observe from my MS. that a Wm. Emerson, described as of the parish of Haughton, died Intestate and that his son William took out Administration.—J. J. H.

Dated 5 Ap., 1636; proved 1636. Will of William Emmerson, of Barmton, in the County of Durham, Yeoman. To be buried in the Church or Churchyard of Haughton. I give my interest in certain townfields and territories in Thorp Thewles, Fulthorpe, Little Stainton which I hold under a certain Deed dated 1st August, of the 8th year of King Charles, Unto my wife, Ann Emmerson; to my Daughter Ann, All my interest in the lands at Cornforth, after her mother's death. I appoint my said wife sole Executor of my Will.

HAMSTERLEY (PAR WOLSINGHAM).

1634. A declaration of the Account of Anne Emerson, Widow of the late Ralph Emerson (of the Chapelrie of Hamsterley, in the County of Durham), and all Administrator of the goods and chattels of the deceased made upon the Administration of his estate, which amounted to £40. Children—Joh. Emerson, Eliz. Emerson, Geo. Emerson, Alison Emerson, Chris. Emerson, Rob. Emerson.

Will dated 19 Feb., 1686; proved 1688. Will of Robert Emerson, of the Hybank, in the parish of Hamsterley, in the County of Durham, Yeoman. To my Daughter, Jaine, 4 ewes and half of my household stuff. To my daughter Ann, five ewes and the rest of my household goods. To my son Robert Emerson, £10. To my son John, £10. To my son Tobias Emerson, four ewes and £10. To my son Richard Emmerson, the rest and residue of my estate, and appoint him Executor.

3 May, 1620. Will of Margaret Emerson, of the parish of Wolsingham, was proved by Ursula Vasie, Executrix.

24 Feb., 1679. Inventory of the goods of Arthur Emerson, of Wolsingham, in the County of Durham. The sum of £20 due by two several Bonds from John Emerson, of Sundrland, in Weardaile, as appears by his hand and Seale. The Administration Bonds for this year are much decayed and not readable.

Oct., 1662. Administration of Brian Emerson, of Bridgehouse, in the parish of Middleton-in-Teesdale, in the County of Durham, Committed to Isabella Emerson, Widow, the Relict. Inventory, £160 1s. 2d. Tuition of John Emerson, Brian, Thomas, Arthur and Jane Emerson, children of the above Brian Emerson, was granted to the said Isabella Emerson.

DARLINGTON.

1601. Probate of the Will of William Emerson, of the parish of Darlington, was Proved by Agnes Emerson, Widow, the Relict, one of the Executors. Power reserved to Margaret Emerson, the Daughter, the other Executor.

1605. Administration of the goods of Robert Emerson, of Darlington Parish, was Committed to Elizabeth Emerson, Widow, the Relict, for benefit of herself and of William Emerson, the Son of deceased (a Minor).

Ap., 1670. Inventory of the goods of Francis Emmerson, son of Leonard Emmerson, of Hill Close House, near Darlington, in the County of Durham. Amount of Inventory, £603.

Dated 9 Mar., 1709; proved 1710. Will of Dudley Emerson, of Hurworth, in the County of Durham, Gentleman. The sum of £240 which I am oweing to Jonathan Sissons, of Darlington, Gentleman, shall be paid out of my estate, messuages or land at Hurworth aforesaid. To my younger children, Dudley and Isabell Emerson, £100 each when they attain 21 years of age. To my beloved Brother and Sister Thomas and Ann Emerson, 5s. each. To my Brother Alexander Emerson, 12s. 6d. To my Brother Jonathan Emerson, £5. I devise unto my son and heir, William Emerson, all my messuages and lands at Hurworth, and also my messuages, lands and tenements in Wardayle, in the County of Durham, he first paying all legacies out of my estates. I devise the estates named (until my said son William attains the age of 21 years) To my beloved wife Margery Emerson, my beloved Brother Thomas Emerson, and my trusty friends John Jenison, of Hurworth, Gentleman, and Christopher Harrison, of the same place, Gentleman. Residue to wife and appoint her Sole Executrix.

SHOTTON AND STAINDROP.

Emerson, Ralph, 1567, Husbandman. In the name of God, Amen. Anno Dni., 1567, and the third day of

October. I Ralph Emerson, of Shotton, of good and perfect remembrance, make this my last Will and Testament in manner and forme followinge, first and principally I do bequithe my soule unto almightie god my creator and Redemer and my body to be buried wthin. the pish. Churchyarde of Stayndropp wth. my mortuaries thereto be done according unto the custom of the lawe, first I bequeathe unto my sonne Ralph a gimer, also to my doughter Marey* a yew and a gimer, and to my sonne bartholomew a gimer. Item, my mynd and will is that John Fedderstone my father-in-law shall have my doughter Margrett and her childs portion, and Cuthbert Potter of langton should have my daughter Jane and hir childs portion, and John Emerson for to have William my sonne and his childs portion, and also my will is that Jane my wyffe shall have two younger children and their childs portions, and also Thomas Navell shall have my son bartholomew and his childs portion, also if it will please my lords honor and goodness to lett my wyffe and Bartholomew my eldest son occupie the farming equally and betwixt them, and if it shall please god that my wyfe shall marry then my said sone bartholomew enter into the hole leving, if it please my Lord, Also my detts paid and legacys discharged. I do make my six childer for to be my Executors of all my goods quick and dead, forther I desier Thomas navall and John fiatherstone for to se all these things done for the profett of my wiffe and childer. Witnes hereof—frances brackenbary, Thomas Navell,† John Laughstrawd., John Bailes.

Aug. 6., 1624. Administration of William Emerson, of Shotton, in the parish of Staindrop, Committed to Christopher Emerson, the Nephew, by a Brother of the deceased, to divide the goods between himself and Bartholomew Emerson, his father (and Brother of deceased).

Aug., 1624. Will of Margaret Emerson, of Shotton, in the parish of Staindrop, was Proved by Toby Jackson, the Sole Executor.

3 July, 1672; proved 1673. Will of Thomas Emerson, of Shotton, in the parish of Staindrop, Yeoman. To Cuthbert, Thomas, George, Margarett and Elizabeth, five of my Children, each £10. To my Daughter Mary, £5. Residue to my wife Elinor, and appoint her sole Executrix. Amount of Debts, £52 13s.; Amount of Estate, £61 9s. 2d.

LANGLEY (PAR STAINDROP).

21 Ap., 1577. Will of George Eme son, of Langley, in the parish of Staindrop. To be buried in the Chyard of Staindrop. I will that Christopher Emerson and Alis Emerson have either of them two yewes. I will that Elizabeth Newbye have the Lease of my Farmeholde. I will that Christopher Emerson have the residue of my estate. I appoint the said Elizabeth Newbye sole Executrix.

CHESTER-LE-STREET, GATESHEAD AND WHICKHAM, ETC.

Nov., 1616. Administration of the goods of Henry Emerson, of Harraton, in the parish of Chester-le-Street, in the County of Durham, Committed to John Emerson, of the same place, the Son of the deceased. Sureties to Bond, Alexander Wilkinson, of the same place, and John Pinkney, of Woodstone House, in the said County.

Sept., 1665. Administration of John Emerson, of the parish of Gateshead, in the County of Durham, committed to Elizabeth Emerson, Widow, the Relict. Inventory, £11 2s. 8d.

June, 1666. Administration of William Emerson, of the parish of Whickham (near Gateshead), in the County of Durham, Com. to John Marley, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, Merchant, the Principal Creditor. Inventory, £43 11s. 11d.

Feb., 1691. Administration of the goods of James Emerson, of Dunston, in the parish of Whickham in the County of Durham, Committed to Anne Emerson, of Dunston, aforesaid, the lawful Widow and Relict of the said Intestate. Surety to Administration Bond, Thomas Emerson, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, Taylor.

Sept., 1694. Administration of etc. Thomas Emerson, of the parish of Whickham, in the County of Durham, was Committed to Jane Emmerson, the lawful Widow and Relict of the deceased.

June, 1630. Administration of the goods of Philip Emerson,‡ of Fryerhouses, in the County of Durham, committed to Eleanor Emerson, Widow, the Relict, for benefit of John and Isabella Emerson, their children.

Dated 19 Mar., 1634; proved 1635. Will of John Emerson, of Cockclose, in the Countie of Durham, Yeoman, my bodie to be buried in the Churchyard of Lamesley, in the County of Durham. Forasmuch as my sone George Emerson* hath had already his filial portion, I will, therefore, that he shall have no part of my goods, but I do, hereby, give unto Cicely his wife (who is now with me), £3 to be paid unto her at such time as she shall take the journey to London. After my wife shall receive her widow's portion, I give the remainder to my six children, namely, my sonns, John and William, and my Daughters, Anne, Isabella, Ellinor and Jane. I appoint my son, John Emerson, sole Executor. Amount of Inventory, £160 6s. 5d. Ralph Emerson oweth the above Testator £9 13s. 4d.

Dated 24 Dec., 1677; proved 1678. Will of John Emmerson, of Coxclose, in the Chapelry of Lamesley, in the County of Durham, Yeoman. I give and devise my messuage or farmhold commonly called Eweshurst (alias) Iveyhurst, near Lintz Green, in the County of Durham, unto my son, John Emmerson. To my wife, Anne Emmerson, one equal third part of all my stock, cattle and the residue of my personal estate; and the other two thirds equally among my twelve grandchildren, John Emmerson, Elizabeth Emmerson, Philip Hall, Thomas Hall, George Tailor, John Tailor, Tristram Fenwicke, James Fenwicke, William Fenwicke, Thomas Fenwicke, Anne Fenwicke and Jane Fenwicke, equally. I appoint my loving wife and my son, John Emmerson, Executors.

Dated 19 May, 1706; proved 1706. Will of John Emerson, of Coxclose, in the parish of Lamesley, in the County of Durham, Gentleman. To my loving wife, Jane Emerson, £400 for life or Widowhood; to my three Daughters, Anne Emerson, Sarah Emerson, and Elizabeth Emerson, £300 each, or to the survivor, and if all die before becoming 21 years and unmarried, Then all their fortunes shall descend unto my son, John Emerson; to my five grandchildren, Elizabeth Emerson, John Emerson, Sarah Emerson, Michael Emerson and John Emerson, £10 each. Residue to my loving son, John Emerson, and appoint him Executor; but for the true performance and management of my last Will and Testament I appoint my trusty friends, Thomas Hall, of Ravensworth Castle, Gentleman, Leonard Winshipp, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, Tanner, and John Smith, of Loosinghill, in the County of Durham, Executors In Trust.

LANCHESTER AND BRANCEPETH.

14 Dec., 1615; proved 1615. Will of Awthor Emerson, of Flass, in the parish of Lanchester, Yeoman, to be buried in the parish Church of Brancepeth. To Thomas Young and Nicholas Briggs, £13 18s. 0d., for the use of my sister, Elizabeth Richardson, to be paid her after the death of her husband, Lancelot Richardson; to my sister, Elizabeth Potts, 44s., which is in the hands of Robert Emerson, of Twisell; † to my Brother, George Emerson, my apparell; to Thomas Brass, 5s.; to Cuthbert and William Brass, 5s. each; to the Poor of Brancepeth parish, 10s. After all debts are paid, I give the Residue to Nicholas Briggs, and appoint him Executor.

May, 1616. Probate (of this Date) of Arthur Emerson, of Flass, in the parish of Brancepeth, in the County of Durham, was granted to Nicholas Briggs, the Sole Executor. Witnesses to Will, Cuthbert Brasse and John Sotheron. Letters . . .‡ against George Emerson and Elizabeth Richeson.

May, 1616. Probate (of this date) of Arthur Emerson, of Flass, in the parish of Brancepeth, was granted to Nicholas Briggs, of Harum in the County of Durham. Sureties, John Rippon, of Primrose Side, in the parish of Brancepeth, and John Harrison, of Sideburne (alias) Sligsburn House, in the County of Durham. 2nd note.

In the name of God, Ame. the 7th day of february in the yere of our lorde god 1571. I Rauff Emerson of Quarrallhill in the pish. of branspeth, syke in my body and yet of good and perfect memorie at the makying hereof thanks be to god dothe make thys my laste Wyll and testament in manr. and forme followyng, first and principally I geve and comit my soll unto almighty god, my body to be buried in the pish. church of brancepeth with such funarable the day of my buriall as my executors shall thynk good, Also I geve unto the repasions of my pishe. church of brancepeth 2s. Also I geve and bequeathe unto my mother Annes Mallome all the occupation of my lease and farmeholde called the Quarrall hill duryng hir naturall lyff And after hyr disease I geve and bequeathe the sayd

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*Marey or Mercy.

†Gent. of Raby, Will proved, Feb. 11, 1570, gives John Emerson, of Shotton, iiis.,—and to this state had the Neville's come after the rising of 1569.

‡ *Vide* Whickham Register.—P. H. E.

*George Emerson, of St. Nicholas, Bread Street, London, Cecilia, *ob.* London, *vide* London Wills.—P. H. E.

† Twizell is near Durham.

‡ Decayed and cannot be made out.

lease and farmehold called the quarrall hill unto my wyte Isabell Emerson duryng hyr naturall lyfe And after the dethe of my sayd wyfe Isabell Emerson I geve and bequethe the sayd lease of my farmehold of Quarrall Hyll unto my son John Emerson and the said John Emerson to have and occupie the same durying all the yeres not expyred after hys mother's deseasse Also I geve and bequeathe unto my wyfe Isabell Emerson halfe of farmehold in Stanley and the other halfe of the aforesaid farmeholde in Stanley I geve and bequeathe unto my tou sonnes John Emerson and George Emerson unto such time as that the said farmeholde called the quarrall hyll shall come to my wyff Isabell Emerson hands accordyng to thys my last wyll and testamt. as is above sayd and that then after that the sayd farmeholde called the quarrall hyll shall come to my wyff hands as is aforesayd then I wyll that my tou sonnes John Emerson and George Emerson shall occupy the sayd farmeholde of Stanley joyntely together so long as my said wyfe Isabell Emerson shall live and my saide wyfe Isabell Emerson to go to the farmeholde called the quarrall Hyll and after the dethe of my sayd wyfe Isabell Emerson I geve and bequethe unto my sone George Emerson all my holl lease and farmeholde in Stanlay during all the holl tyme of yeares not expyred after the deathe of my said wyff and my sone John Emerson to leve the occupation thereof and to go to my farmeholde called the quarrall hyll according to thys my last wyll and testament as is aforesaid Also I geve and bequeathe unto my sone George Emerson to helpe hym to Renewe the lease of Stanlay againe for hys oune use the some of £8 6s. 8d. of good and lawfull money of England and my yonge gray horse Also I geve unto my sone John Emerson my yonge gray trottyn horse Also I geve and bequeathe unto my wyff Isabell Emerson all my household stouffe at quarrall hill and Stanlay Also I geve and bequethe unto my son-in-lay Nicholes federstanehaugh one yoke of . . . and to my Daughter Mary federstonehaugh his wyff three olde Angells, al the rest of my goodes moveable and unmoveable unbequeathe my detts payd I geve and bequythe unto my wyff Isabell Emerson, John Emerson and George Emerson my two sonns and nowe I make my holle executers joyntlie togeither trusting that they wyll pay my detts and se thys my laste wyll and testamt. fulfylled and kep it as fathefull wyff and naturall chylderyng sholde do And the rest of my goods so used as it may redouned hereafter to the honor of god and theyr oune profet. Witnesses hereof—Willm. Hodshon, Nicholas federstaynhaugf.

Dated 22 Jan., 1603; proved 1603. Will of George Emerson, of the parish of Trimdon, in the County of Durham. To William Nelson, of Great Chilton, and his children, 20s.; to Matthew Lookoop, of Hutton Henry, 10s.; to my Brother, John Brasse, my best dublet; to my father-in-lawe, William Brasse, my chiste and give him the Residue of my estate and appoint him Executor.

SUNDERLAND-ON-SEA.

Dated 10 Mar., 16$\frac{80}{81}$; proved 1681. Will of George Emmerson, of Sunderland by the Sea, in the County of Durham, Colefitter. My will and pleasure is that my sonne George Emmerson, who is heir apparent to my estate, situate in the parish of Haughton in the said County, shall pay to his Brother, Thomas Emmerson, £50 as his filial portion. I appoint my loving wife, Elizabeth Emmerson, my sole Executor, and give her the residue of my estate. I appoint Robert Ward, of Darlington, Merchant, Francis Hutton, of Woodham, and Thomas Bolney, of Lumley Thicks, Supervisors. Inventory, £19.

Dated 27 Oct., 1693; proved 1693. Will of Anthony Emerson, of Sunderland by the Sea, in the County of Durham, Marryner. To my loving wife Ellen Emmerson, my messuages, houses or tenements in Sunderland aforesaid. I also give the remainder of my real and personal estate unto my loving wife, and appoint her Executrix. Amount of Inventory, £38.

BARNARD CASTLE.

1619, Nov. Administration of the goods of Robert Emerson, of Barnard Castle, in the County of Durham, Committed to Robert Emerson, of the same place. Surety, George Taylor, of ——.

CO. NORTHUMBERLAND.

(Wills in Durham Registry.)

165$\frac{1}{2}$, Jan. Administration of the goods of Alice Emerson, of Killan aforesaid. Ralph Emerson the only child of deceased.

Aug., 1663. Administration of John Emerson, of Screnwood, in the County of Northumberland, Committed to George Emerson, the Son of the said deceased, Jane Emerson, Widow, the Relict of the deceased. Inventory, £387 3s. 4d.

Dated 12 Jan., 1590; proved 1596. Will of George Emerson, of the Town of Newcastle-upon-Tyne. To be buried within the Churchyard of St. Nicholas (Newcastle). To Henry Emerson, my . . . lying in the parish of Whickham, called the Dockendale. To my son Henry, my seate house which I do dwell in after the death of my wyfe, Annas Emerson. To my son William Emerson, my freehold called the Fogg Close, in the parish of Lamsley, and to his heirs, and failing issue, to come to my Daughters Barbary and Isabel equally. To my Daughter Barbary Emerson, my little house in the tenor of Lawrance Green. To my Daughter Isabel Emerson, a little house in the tenor of Janet Cooke. Amount of Inventory, £9 10s. 6d.

April, 1637. Will of Ralph Emerson, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, was proved (this date) by Ann Emerson, the lawful Widow and Relict of the Testator.

Dated 12 Jan., 1641; proved 1641. Will of Ann Emmerson, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, Widow. To be buried in the Church of All Saints, Newcastle-on-Tyne. I give my tenement now in my own possession in Biker Chaire, Newcastle-on-Tyne, to my son Roger Newby and his heirs, but I direct that my son Thomas Newby shall possess the above premises until my son Roger Newby shall attain 12 years. I give, devise and bequeath the residue of my estate to my said two sonnes, and appoint my said son, Thomas Newby, sole Executor.

1645, July. Administration of the goods of William Emerson, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, Committed to Bridget Emerson, of Newcastle, Widow, the Relict, for benefit of Henry Emerson, their son.

April, 1648. Administration of the goods of John Emerson, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, was granted (this date) to Thomas Rosendale, Principal Creditor of the Intestate.

1649, Feb. Administration of the goods of John Emerson, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, Committed to Thomas Rosendale, of Kingston-upon-Hull, Yeoman.

7 Feb., 1664; proved 1664. Will of Ralph Emmerson, of the Towne and County of Newcastle-on-Tyne, Gentleman. To my sone Railph Emmerson the sum of £100, which I heretofore lent him. To my sone John Emmerson, all my term, title and interest which I have in a mes uage situate in a Street called Cowgate, in Newcastle-on-Tyne. To my son-in-law, Tobyas Heighington, all such sums of money as is owing by Thomas Ewbanke, of Newcastle, to me. To my Daughter Ellinor Emmerson, £100. To my sone Christopher Emmerson, £50. To my Daughter Anne Hyndemers, £5. Residue to my wife Ellinor Emerson, and appoint her sole Executrix. Inventory, £114 10s. 2d.

Oct., 1665. Administration of Jane Emerson (alias) Marley, of Newcastle-on-Tyne Comd. to John Emerson, the Husband.

Dated 11 Mar., 1671; proved 1673. Will of John Emmerson, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, Merchant and Alderman. To my wife Barbara Emmerson, my farme known by the name of Broadlay, in the parish of Stanhope, for life, and afterwards to my Daughter Alice Jenison, and her heirs for ever. To the said Alice Jenison my messuage in Newcastle. To my Daughter Mary Emmerson, £100. Whereas by conveyance I did bequeath my messuage or farmholde called Eastyate, in the parish of Stanhope, unto John Emmerson, son of Christopher Emmerson, deceased, for life, and afterwards to my Daughter Mary Emmerson, and failing issue, etc., to my Daughter Alice Jenison. To my son-in-law Thomas Jenison, £50. To my Grandchild Barbara Fulthorp, £20. To my loving sister Elizabeth Mowbray, £10. To my cosin John Emerson, £10. To my cosin Roland Johnson, £5. To my cosin Elinor Harrison, £5. To my cosin Jane Chapman, £5. To the poor of the parish of Stanhope, £5. To my said wife, my large silver Standard. I appoint my son-in-law, Mr. Thomas Jenison, Executor.

1672. Inventory of the goods of John Emmerson, of the Chapelry of All Saints, Newcastle-on-Tyne. Amount of Inventory, £64.

16 Ap., 1674. Administration of the goods of Robert Emmerson, of the parish of St. Nicholas, Newcastle-on-Tyne, was Committed to Susannah Emmerson, of Newcastle on-Tyne, Widow.

March, 1676. Administration of the goods of John Emmerson, of Saint Nicholas, Newcastle-on-Tyne, was Committed to Alice Jennison, of Newcastle-on-Tyne.

14 Dec., 1686. Tuition Bond by John Lemon, Gentleman; Lancelot Cramlington, Fitter; and George Headlam, all of Newcastle-on-Tyne, Tutors, etc., of Jane, John and Henry Emerson, being the natural and lawful children of Gilbert Emmerson of All Saints, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

May, 1688. Administration of the goods of Susan Emmerson, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, Widow, Committed to Mary Crossman, Widow, the Daughter of the said Intestate, of Newcastle-on-Tyne.

Oct., 1691. Administration of etc. of Christopher Emerson, of the Chapelry of All Saints, Newcastle-on-Tyne,

Marriner, was Committed to Isabell Emerson, the lawful Widow and Relict of the said deceased.

Ap., 1696. Administration of etc. of Thomas Emerson, of the parish of Saint Nicholas, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Haberdasher, was Committed to Arthur Marshall, of City of London, Haberdasher (A Creditor of the said deceased).

Oct., 1696. Administration of (the unadministered goods) of Robert Emmerson, of St. Nicholas, Newcastle-on-Tyne, was Committed to John Crossman, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, Merchant (left unadministered by Susan Emerson, the lawful Widow of deceased).

July, 1700. Administration of etc. John Emerson, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, Hoastman, was Committed to Ellinor Emerson, the lawful Widow and Relict of the deceased. Bondsman, Ralf Emerson, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, Clerk.

Oct., 1706. Admon. of the goods of John Emerson, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, Merchant and Alderman, Committed to Barbary Saville, of Golden Square, London, Widow (being the unadministered goods of the deceased left so unadministered by Thomas Jenison, now deceased, the Sole Executor of the said John Emerson, and also by Alice Jenison, now deceased).

CO. CUMBERLAND WILLS TO 1700.

(Carlisle Registry.)

John Emerson (1597). Admon. without Will, granted at Carlisle to Rowland Emmerson, the Son, 27 January, 1597. Inventory by Thomas Weddell, John Potter, Christopher Gaydell and Lancelott Gaydell.

Rowland Emerson (1630), of Lazonby, Cumberland, by Will dated 10 December, 1629, proved at Carlisle, 9 November, 1630, directs his body to be buried in Lazonby Churchyard, and Gives—To John and Jane, Children of John Miles, 10s.; to the other three Children of John Miles, each a Lamb. The Rest of his goods to Thomas, Dorothie and Agnes, his own Children, and appoints them Executors. Witnesses—John Miles, William Emerson, John Wetherell.

William Emmerson (1663), of Sandhill, in "Battleburge," Appleby, Westmorland, by Will dated 2 February, 1658, proved at Carlisle, 15 April, 1663, directs his body to be buried in the parish Church of St. Michael, Appleby, "near to where the body of his daughter Katherine lieth," and Gives To his eldest son John Emmerson, best cloake. To his Son Leonard Emmerson, 10s. To Ann Machell, eldest daughter of his daughter, "Barbary" Machell, one little chist. To his wife, Anne Emmerson, the rest of his goods, and appoints her Executrix. Witnesses—Robert Emmerson, John Emmerson, Richard Lambe.

John Emmerson, 1673, of Galhowes, in Bongate Appleby, Westmorland, Husbandman, by Will dated 14 April, 1673, proved at Carlisle, 1673 (exact date not given), directs his body to be buried in St. Michaels, Appleby Church, and Gives: To his Sister "Barbarey," one feather bed; and To his Son "Edmond Lowson," one "Cubart;" and "to every one of his three Sonnes, viz., John, Edmond and Willm., each an Ewe, etc. To John Emmerson and Ann Emmerson, his Grand Children "Hogges" at Langton. To his Son, William, one bedstead, etc., and appoints him Sole Executor. Witnesses—Edmond Lowson, William Emmerson, Phillip Machell.

Thomas Ematson,* 1683, Senior, of Plumpton Wall, Lazonby, Cumberland, by his Will dated 29 December, 1680, proved at Carlisle, 18 December, 1683, directs his body to be buried "in the parish Church Yard," amongst his Ancestors, at the discretion of his Executor, and Gives To Ann Ematson, daughter of his son Thomas, £25. To Elizabeth Ematson, daughter of his son Thomas, £25. To his Son John, £10. To his Son Thomas, the rest of his goods, and appoints him Executor. Witnesses—John Ematson, John Slack, John Rebanks.

Rowland Emmerson, 1697, of Lazonby, Cumbd., Yeoman, by his Will dated 1st March, 1686; proved 30 September, 1697, directs his body to be buried at the discretion of his Executor, and Gives To his "Younger" Son William Emmerson, his freehold Tenement at Lazonby called Threlkeld's Tenement, with Toft and Barn; also his personal Estate, and appoints him sole Executor. Witnesses—John Westmorland, John Threlkeld, Thomas Sawer, George Nicholson.

(Cumberland Wills, in Durham Registry.)

Dated 17 Aug., 1686. Administration of the goods of Nicholas Emerson, of Pryersdale, in the Chapelry of Garragill, in the County of Cumberland, Committed to Cuthbert Emmerson, of the same place, Yoeman, the son of the said Intestate. Surety to Bond, Arthur Emmerson, of the Turneings, in the said Chapelry.

Dated 31 Jan., 1689; proved 1689. Will of Cuthbert Emmerson, of Eshgill, in the parish of Garragill, in the Co. of Cumberland, Yeoman. I appoint my wife, Ann Emmerson, Executrix. One half of my land to my son Joseph when he attains 21. To my three children, each £20. To my son Nicholas Emmerson, £10. To my sister Mary Forster, £4. To Thomas Watson, 20s. To Mary Watson and Ann Watson, 10s. each. Witnesses to Will—George Emmerson, Arthur Emmerson and Katherine Emmerson.

11 Nov., 1693; proved 1693. Will of George Emerson, of Esgill, in Priorsdaile, in the parish of Garrigill, in the County of Cumberland, Yeoman. To be buried at the parish Church of Garrigill. To my wife Catherine my real Estate at Esgill for life, and after her death to Nicholas Emerson, son of the late Cuthbert Emmerson, of Middle Esgill. To Joseph Foster's children, £5. To Hannah Watson, of Esgillside, £5. To Margaret Newton, my servante, £20. To Joseph Dixison and Abigill Dixison, the children of the late Robert Dixison, each £4. To Joseph Archer, of Shieldhill, £5. To Isble Emmerson, Daughter of the late Cutht. Emerson, £10. To Mary Emmerson, Daughter of the late Cutht. Emerson, 40s. To Joseph Emerson, the Son of the late Cutht. Emerson, £2 10s. To the poor of the parish of Garrigill, £10. I leave my estate at fareshild in Nent Water unto my said wife for her life, and after her death to return to the heir of Arthur Emmerson the younger, of Turnings. The rest and residue of my estate to my said wife and Arthur Emerson, of Turnings, the Elder, and appoint them Executors.

LONDON WILLS.

(Prerogative Court of Canterbury.)

30 Pyckering.

14 Dec., 1574. William Emerson the elder, citizen and bowyer of London, dwelling in the par. of St. Saviours, in Southwark, co. Surrey. To be buried in the par. Church of St. Saviour's, Southwark. To John Emerson, my eldest son, my messuage or Bruehouse called the Salutacon, and two tents thereto adjoining in the said par., in the tenures of John Ede, John Mundaye and John Howell; also 6 a. of ground lying in St. George Field, in the par. of St. George, Southwark, to hold to him and his heirs for ever. To William Emerson, my son, my moiety of certain houses on St. Michael's Hill, near Croked Lane within the par. of St. Michael, in the City of London, which I and John Redman bought of —— Kinge; also my part of a house called the Woolsacke, in Barmondsey St., in the par. of St. Olave, Southwark, but if the said William marry Anne alias Annes Cartar, dau. of —— Carter, of the said par. of St. Olaves, lately deced., then immediately after such marriage the said premises to revert to my sons John, Thomas and Humfrey and their heirs for ever. To Thomas Emerson, my son, my messuage formerly called Hardeles tenement, and now called The Axe, in the said par. of St. Saviours; also 2 other tenements adjoining the said messuage, in the tenure of Margt. Mee and Anth. Blaisbe, to him and his heirs for ever. To Humfrey Emerson, my youngest son, the house wherein I now dwell, and 2 other tents. in the tenure of Thos. Fenne and Walter Stocketon, in the said par. of St. Saviours; also my messuage or "backhouse" called the Windmyll, in the ten. of Ric. Hodge, in the said par.; also my site, circuit and precinct of the late par. Church of St. Margarets, in the said par.; also, 1 garden platt in Maydenlane, alias Nightinggall Lane, in said par., to him and his heirs for ever. To Anne, my wife, my 4 houses in Deptford, Detfordstrande, and East Greenwich, in co. Kent, for her life, and after her decease to my said son, Thomas and his heirs for ever. The rest of my goods to said wife Anne, whom I make sole executrix. Thos. Wey and Nicholas Martyn to be supervisors. Witnesses—Richard Harman, curate of St. Saviours, William Brokes. Proved 9 July, 1575, by the said Anne, the relict.

16 Rowe.

26 Feb., 1582—3. I, Anne Emerson, of Southwark, in co. Surrey, widow. To be bur. in the parish Church of St. Saviours, Southwark. To John Emerson, my eldest son, my husband's best gown, etc. To William Emerson, my second son, £30, etc., etc. To Thomas Emerson, my third son, my best salt, etc., one dozen of silver spoons engraved with W. and A., etc., etc. To Humphrey Emerson, my 4th and youngest son, £30, etc. To Ellyn Young, widow, my dau., I give a great chest of oak, etc. To the wife of my said son Humphrey, my best kirtle. To the sons and daus. of my said dau. Ellen Young, I give 50s. each. I make my sons Thomas, Humphrey and John executors. Proved 19 March, 1582—3.

49 Scott.

25 June, 1595. I, Thomas Emerson, sometime of Furnival's Inn, in Holborn, in co. Midd., gent., one of the sons of William Emmerson, late citizen and bowyer of London. To be bur. in the parish Church of St. Saviour, Southwark,

*Written "Ematson" throughout Will, but endorsed and indexed "Emmerson." Evidently an Emmeson,

whereof I am a parishioner, as near to the body of my late wife as possible. I give to my brother Humfrey Emerson, my messuage, lately called Hardles Tenement, now called the Axe, and all other the tenements and gardens lying within the gate thereof called the Axe gate, to hold for 8 years after the death of Margaret my now wife, towards the bringing up of my children John, Sarah and Susan Emerson; at the end of said term I give the said premises to my son Henry Emerson and his heirs; if he die without issue, then to go to my said son John and his heirs; for default, to my said daus. Sara and Susan and their heirs; and for default to my brothers John and Humfrey and their heirs for ever. All my lands and tents. in Deptford alias West Greenwich, now in the occupation of Philip Bagley, Wm. Currey and John Fawkner, and 1 a. of land bought of —— Fenix, in the tenure of John Goodson, I give to said son John and his heirs, with remainder, in default, to my s. Henry, my daus. Sara and Susan, and my bro. Humfrey and his heirs for ever. My son John to have my part of certain tents. in par. of St. Sepulchres without Newgate, London, which I hold jointly with said Humphrey. Rings to the wives of my said brothers. To my bro. in law Mr. Hugh Browker, a ring. To the wife of John Gamage, 40s. To my Company and Fellow Jurors of the Common Sewers, 40s., and I entreat them to follow me to the Church. To Garret Smithe, 10s. The residue of my goods to be sold, and the money divided amongst my children John, Sara and Susan at their ages of 21. If they all die, then £100 to my bro. William Emerson. The said Humfrey to be sole executor, and my bro. John supervisor. Witnesses—Thos. Brigges, John Wright, John Gammadge and Garet Smith. Proved 2 July, 1595, by said executor.

106 Bolein.

14 Nov., 1603. I, Humfrey Emerson, of Southwark, par. of St. Saviours, Surrey, Gentleman. My body to be buried where it pleases my wife. To the poor of St. Saviours, Southwark, 40s. To the Governors of the Free Grammar School of said parish, 20s., "to make merrie withall after my burial." I will that if my nephew Henrie Emerson stand to the agreement he made with me on 26th Oct., 1603, concerning the portions he should have from me for his sisters and brothers, after their death, that then he shall have all those my [*sic*] tenements, now or late in the tenure of Widow Halsey, Richard Johnson, Widow Haley decd., Widow Gotheram, the Compter house hole and chambers, now in the tenure of the wardens and keepers of the Bridghouse, and also the Markett hill, to him and his heirs for ever, after the decease of my wife; if he fail to keep the agreement, the aforesaid to go to my cousin, Thomas Emerson, and his heirs. To the Governors of the aforesaid Grammar School in Southwark, for the benefit of the Schoolmaster's wages, my "garden plat" situate in Mayde lane after decease of my wife. To my wife, all my lands and tenements whatsoever during her life. If said Henrie Emerson does not stand to the bargain beforenamed, the reversion of the Axyard bequeathed to me in his father's will, for the bringing up of the children, shall come to my wife. Executrix and residuary legatee, my wife. My wife to have my house at Dulledge to sell or let at her pleasure. To Master Faucet, £5. Overseers—My brother-in-law, Master Hugh Broker, and Master George Paine, 40s. to each for their trouble. Witnesses—John Gamedge, Edmonde Dent—his mark—Richard Johnson. Proved 3 Dec., 1603, by Thomas Warde, Notary Public, for Emme, the relict and Executrix.

404 Aylett.

14 Nov., 1653. I, Ellen Emerson, of Lambeth, in Co. Surrey, widow, being "aged and weak." To my dau. Izackson and her husband, 5s. each. To each of their children, 5s. To my son Richard Emerson, 20s. To my grandchild, Thomas Terrey, son of my son, Thomas Terrey, 5s. To each of the children of my son Richard Terrey, 5s. The residue of my estate to my son Richard Terrey, whom I make executor. The marke of Ellen Emerson. Witnesses—And. Burt, John Pickersgill, Mary Stainsby. Proved 4 Oct., 1655, by the said Ric. Terrey.

24 Swan.

28 Feb., 1622—3. I, Thomas Emerson, of the parish of St. Brides, London, Citizen and Brewer of London. After my debts are paid, my estate to be divided into 3 parts. One part I bequeath to my wife Johane. Another part to my only daughter Elizabeth Emerson, and 100 marks, at her age of 21, or day of marriage, and in the event of her decease, her legacy to be divided amongst my brethren and sisters, vizt.:—Robert Emerson, Anthony Emerson, and Arthur Jackson; Jane Wheatley, wife of Richard Wheatley, and Anne Harding, wife of Anthony Harding. To my father-in-law, James Jackson, and to my mother Isabell, his wife, 20 nobles. To my sd. brethren, Robert, Anthony and Arthur, and to my sd. sisters Jane and Anne, 20 nobles each. To my cousin, Elizabeth Emerson, daughter of my uncle, Edward Emerson, 40s. for a ring. To Thomas Luffer, towards his maintenance at the University, £30. Executrix and residuary legatee, my wife. Overseers—Mr. Wm. Holbrook, preacher of the word at Ham; my uncle, Edward Emerson; my father-in-law, James Jackson; my cousins, Robert Greenwell, of London, Merchant; and Wm. Garthwaite, of London, Brewer; Hugh Stamford and John Rutlish. I give to each 20s. for a ring. Witnesses—Tho. Hulme, Rob. Swann, Thomas Arstrop.

18 Mar., 1622—3. Issued commission to Edward Emerson, uncle of and principal creditor of Thos. Emerson, decd., to administer the goods, etc., Joanna, the relict, first renouncing.

83 Clark.

18 Aug., 1625. I, Joane Emerson, of the parish of St. Brides. To my brother Edward Tilie, a pair of sheets. To my cousin Barbarie Turner, a feather bed. To my brother Dennis Atkyns, a feather bed, etc. To my cousin Wm. Watts, a feather bed. To my daughter Elizabeth Emerson, all my goods and my debts, and I appoint her sole executrix, and my brother Dennis Attkyns, and my brother William Watts, overseers. If my [*sic*] daughter Elizabeth happen to die, my goods to be divided amongst the following:—My brother Edward Tilly, my brother Dennis, my cousin Barbarie Turner, my cousin William Watts (only in case she die within the next half-year). These last-named to give a feather bed, etc., to Thomas Rougher, preacher. I, Joane Emerson, and Elizabeth Emerson, appoint my cousin, Wm. Watts, to be our sole executor. Witnesses—Robert Beswicke, Robert Wright, William Carbell, George Atkins.

22 Aug., 1625. Commission issued to Wm. Watts, the guardian of Elizabeth Emerson, to administer during her minority.

10 Dec., 1625. Commission issued to Anthony Ashfield, guardian of Elizabeth Emerson, to administer during her minority, Wm. Watts being dead.

36 Chayre.

17 Nov., 1563. Elizabeth Emerson, of the parish of St. Dunstan in the East, in the City of London, widow, made her will nuncupative as follows:—All her goods and the lease of her house to be sold, and the money divided amongst her 3 daus. Elizabeth, Mary and Katherine, and William Girdler, her dau.'s son, son of Wm. Girdler, citizen and grocer of London, deceased, each of the said daus. to be the others heir if they die before their lawful age or marriage. Testator's cousin, Richard Bowlande, citizen and "cowper" of London, to have the offer of the said lease. Witnesses—Ric. Johnson, grocer; Wm. Girdler, haberdasher; Ric. Bowland, "cowper," and Mawdelin Smith.

On the 19 Nov., 1563, there issued a commission to Nicholas Bowlande named in the will [*sic*] to administer the goods of deceased with the consent of Eliz. Emerson the daur.

7 Fane.

22 June, 1689. I, Robert Emerson, of the par. of St. Mary Magdalene, Bermondsey, in Co. Surrey, mariner, belonging to I. M. S., Bristol, have made my wife, Mary Emerson, my attorney and executrix, leaving to her all my goods, etc. The mark of Robert Emerson. Witnesses—Griffith Griffin, John Wicks, Ser., Jno. Meicham, Wm. Penn, Leift. Edwd. Shaw Mast. Proved 5 Jan., 1691, by Mary the relict.

41 Cobham.

29 Mar., 39 Eliz. I, John Emerson, citizen and bowyer of London. To be bur. in the par. Church of St. Saviours. To my son Thomas, £200. To my dau. Anne, wife of Robert Symme, £150. My son-in-law Skinnar to retain in his hands to the use of himself and his wife my dau., £53 which he borrowed of me. I make my wife Elizabeth my sole executrix, for whose use I have made a bond of £1000 to my bro.-in-law Hugh Browker. The Hugh and Humfrey Emerson to be overseers. £5 to William Emerson. Residue to wife Elizabeth. Witness:—Jane Browker. Proved 1 June, 1597, by the executrix.

136 St. John.

1 Oct., 1631. I, Thomas Emerson, now of Ratcliff, par. of Stepney, Midd., Esq. I bequeath all my lands and houses, and whatsoever I am possessed of, or may or ought to be possessed of in Southwark, Co. Surrey, to John Emerson, my brother, and all my houses and tenements in Croncheth friers, near Tower Hill. To my younger brother Thomas Emerson and my two sisters, Elizabeth the Elder, and Elizabeth Emerson the younger, all my lands [*sic*], leases, etc., of Bradbury and Hilton, in the County Palatine of Durham. Witnesses:—Ely Tournor, Concel Machor (his mark), Anthony Skynner.

2 Dec., 1631. Issued commission to Mary Emerson, wife and relict of Thomas Emerson, late of Ratcliff, Stepney, to administer, etc.

57 MICO.

15 Oct., 1664. I, Lieut.-Colonel James Emerson, of Tanger, in Africa. To my brother Francis Smyth, 10s. To Hanna Smith, dau. of the said Francis, 10s. To my nephew Mr. Roberts, of the town of Stortford, in Hertfordshire, 10s. To Elizabeth, wife of the said Roberts, 10s. To Mr. Robert Wooley, 10s. The residue of my estate in England or Tanger, and particularly my messuage in Tanger, which I lately purchased of Captain Francis Allen, and all the money I left in the hands of Mr. Robert Wooley, to be divided between my wife, Lydia Emmerson, and my dau., Lydia Emmerson. Mr. Edmund Darcy to be executor, and Sir Tobias Bridge supervisor.

Tanger, 5 Jan., 1664—5. The above Will was examined before a full court, and proved to be the true will of the said deceased.

26 Ap., 1666. There issued a commission to Lydia Emmerson, the relict, to administer the goods of deced., the said executor first renouncing.

43 CANN.

4 Nov., 1682. I, Cuthbert Emmerson, of the parish of St. Buttolph, Without Aldgate, in Co. Middlesex, mariner, bound on a voyage to the East Indies in the ship called the Golden Hare, Captain Scott Commander, have appointed Robert Toward, of the said parish, victualler, my lawful attorney, and I give him all my money, wages, etc., and make him my Executor. Witnesses:—Richard Gadge, Jon. Browne, Edw. Parnell. Proved 18 April, 1685.

108 COKER.

16 Dec., 1692. I, John Emerson, of the parish of St. Katherine Cole nan, in the City of London, gent., "Waiter" to the Honorable East India Company, do make Thomas Davye of the said parish, "waiter," my lawful attorney to demand from the Treasurer of the Navy, all the wages, prize money, etc., due to me, pursuant to their Majesties' Declaration of 23rd May, 1689. I leave all my goods to the said Thomas Davye, and make him my executor. Witnesses:—Wm. King, Eliz. Clarke, J. Pierce.

On the 19th July, 1693, there issued a commission to the said Thomas Davy, to administer the goods, etc., of the said John Emmerson, bachelor, who died in the ship "le Armenia Merchant."

TUNSTALL, fo. 225B.

8 Mar., 1533. I, Robert Emerson, "cytesen and lorymer" of London. To be bur. in the Church of St. Katheryn, Christchurch, in London. To my company 40d. to drink if they come to my burial. To Elizabeth Emerson, a featherbed, etc. I forgive Nicholas Reynolds 12d. which he owes me. I forgive Nicholas Heynes all which he owes me. I forgive Anthony Nelson and Geo. Knyghtley 20s. of their "scores." The residue of my goods to Elyn, my wife, whom I make executrix. James Colyns, citizen and lorymer of London, to be supervisors. Witnesses:—James Colyns, Rob. Olyver, Tho. Cory, Roger Playfote, Patrick Galomore and John Bendowe. Proved 21 March, 1533.

REGISTER No. 17, fo. 58B.

2 Feb., 1586. I, Richard Emerson, of Lymehouse, in Co. Midd. To be bur. in the Churchyard of Stebenhuth. To my wife, all my leases and ½ my movable goods. The other half to her dau. Eliz. Comes. Out of the legacy to my wife I except the money owing to me by James and Edward Parker. To Clare Duninge, my new trunk. To my nephew Edward Emerson, my clothes. The rest of my goods to my wife, whom I make executrix. Robert Feme to be overseer. Witnesses:—John Barnes, Ric. Randols, Job Brodoke. Proved 3 March, 1586—7, by Alice Emerson, the relict.

REGISTER No. 17, fo. 25.

30 June, 28 Eliz. William Emmerson, late of Old Braynforde, in Co. Midd., waterman. To his son Ralph, the lease of his house and wharf, his boats, etc. To —— Myles his cousin, 20s. The rest of his goods to Magdalen his wife, whom he made executrix. Witnesses:—John Barber, John Willson, Thos. Hanbury, Hen. Furners, Wm. Banbery. Proved 13 July, 1586, by the relict.

COMMISSARY, LONDON.

7 July, 1612. I, Margaret Emerson, of London, widow. Whereas I have 2 leases from the Master and Fellows of Jesus Coll., Cambridge, made last Sept., one whereof is a tenement on Ludgate Hill, London, near Fleet St., called the Sign of the Horn, in the par. of St. Brides, and the other of certain tents. in Aldermanbury, in London, out of which tents. on Ludgate Hill I have made a lease to Barbara Horneblow, widow, late wife of my son, Thos. Horneblow, deced., for the benefit of the said Barbara and her children for 36 years; which said tents. now made into one the said Barbara has let by lease to William Middleburrowe. I now give all my interest in all the said tents. to my son-in-law, Henry Parkehurst, citizen and grocer of London, and Mary his wife, they paying yearly to my son, John Horneblow, £24; also to the 3 children of my son, Thomas Horneblow, to wit, John, William and Barbara, 40s. each quarterly. If the said Henry and Mary die without issue, then the remainder of my lease in St. Brides to remain to the said children of my said son Thomas. The said Henry and Mary to be executors, and Edward Trussell, clothworker, Thos. Carter, haberdasher, and Hugh Dale, goldsmith, to be overseers. The mark of Margaret Emerson. Witnesses:—Edw. Trussell, Thos. Carter, Barbara Horneblowe, Mary Snelling. Proved 7 Sept., 1612, by the exors.

7 Sept., 1627. I, George Emerson, of Wapping, in the par. of St. Mary, Matfellons, alias Whitechapel, in Co. Midd., chandler. To my cousin John Bell, 40s. and clothes. To my Godchild John Richards, 10s. The rest of my goods to my wife, Joan Emerson, and my dau., Mary Emerson. My friend, Wm. Holbrook, to be guardian of my said dau. until her age of 21 or marriage. If the said Mary die, then the moiety of my said goods to go to my brother, Arthur Emerson, and to my sister Margaret. To my cousin, Mr. Richard Sedgewicke, of Wapping, 20s., and I make him executor. The mark of Geo. Emerson. Witnesses:—Hen. Bonde, Aron Comport. Proved 30 Nov., 1627, by the exor.

2 May, 1669. I, John Emerson, of the par. of Hackney, in Co. Midd., yeoman. To my sister, Ann Counden, all arrears of my annuity of 6s. 8d., to be paid me by my mother. To my brother John Bell and my sister, 10s., and to their dau. Hannah, 6s. 8d. To my brother Christopher, 10s., and to his wife and 3 children, 5s. each. To my bro. Roger, and my sister Christian, 5s. each. Mr. Jappson, minister of this par., to preach my sermon. To Katherine Whitelock, a bedstead, and to her son Jonathan, a calf, etc. To my bro. Samuel Emerson, of White Cross St., London, the lease of my house and ground in Hackney, and I make him sole executor. I will that those houses and lands in Yorkshire which should by my father's will come to my said bro. Samuel, after the death of my mother and myself, do accordingly come to him and his heirs. John Emerson his mark. Witnesses:—Rob. Gardiner, Mary Roberts, Tho. Pownsett. Proved 8 May, 1669, by exor.

25 May, 1691. I, Gilbert Emerson, of the par. of Stepney, Midd., mariner, now belonging to T.M.S. the St. Andrew, make my wife, Grace Emerson, of the said par., spinster [*sic*], my attorney and executrix, leaving her all my goods. Witnesses:—Will. Morgan, Francis Burrell, Thos. Smithe, Tho. Shipeham, Geo. Lilburne. Proved 30 Dec., 1692, by the executrix.

13 Jan., 1697—8. I, Henry Emerson, now belonging to H.M.S. Glocester, have made my wife, Alice Emerson, of the par. of Stepney, in Co. Midd., my attorney and executrix, leaving her all my goods. Witnesses:—J. Shorman, Ja. Fletcher, Robt. Thompson, Tho. Mellamb. Proved 27 Feb., 1698—9, by the executrix.

CONSISTORY COURT OF LONDON.

(BISHOP OF WESTMINSTER'S COURT.)

24 Sept., 1548. I, Roger Emersonne, of the City of Westminster, yeoman of the King's most honourable guard. To be bur. in the Church of St. Margaret, Westminster. To the poor folk's chest there, 4d. The residue of my goods to my wife, Elizabeth Emerson, whom I make sole executrix. I desire Robert Grannte to be overseer. Witnesses:—Ric. Eliot and Anthony Nycholsonne. Hugh Profit owes me [no sum given] for keeping his watch, as Richard Gibbes can testify. Proved 15 Nov., 1548, by the executrix.

144 JUXON.

9 Nov., 1663. I, George Emerson, of Limehouse, in Co. Midd., mariner. I give all my goods, etc., to my wife Dorithie Emerson, whom I make sole executrix. To my eldest son George Emerson, 5s. To my son-in-law Thomas Bennett, a suit of clothes, and to his wife, my dau. Sarah, 1 s., and to her 2 children, 12d. each. To my son-in-law, George Baddum, 5s.; and to his wife, my dau. Mary Baddum, 5s.; and to each of his children, 12d. each. To my dau. Merian Emerson, 5s. To my dau. Susanna Emerson, 50s. To my grandson George Emerson, 12d. I make John Brustow, of Emele, and John Heale, of Ratcliffe, baker, overseers. The mark of George Emerson. Witnesses:—John Brewster, Nathaniel Morecocke. Proved 29 Dec., 1663, by Dorothy the relict.

57 PYE.

27 May, 1673. Mathew Emerson. [No place mentioned.] "This is my last will. I have given to my son Nicholas Emerson, £10;" and to my dau. Elizabeth, now married to Nicholas Seeres, £10. To be paid by my dau., Anne Emerson, whom I make executrix, if she receive the £200; if not, to my son Nicholas, 2s.; and to my dau. Eliz., 1s. The mark of Mathew Emerson. Witnesses:—Tho. Goudge, Alice Clarke. Proved 31 May, 1673, by Anne, the dau. and executrix.

CO. LINCOLN.

5 BABINGTON.

4 May, 1567. Edward Emerson, of Glamforth Brigges, in the diocese of Lincoln. To be buried in Wraby Churchyard. To my wife [not named], £20; and to my children [not named], £20 a piece. I make Alexander and George my sons, executors, and my Father and my brother Alexander, supervisors. Witnesses:—George Emerson, Alexander Emerson.

On the 25 Feb., 1567—8, there issued a commission to George Emerson the father, and Alexander Emerson the brother of deceased, to administer his goods during the minority of the said Alexander and George, Executors.

8 STAFFORD.

10 April, 1604. I, Alexander Emerson, of Sereby, Co. Lincoln, Yeoman, "not sounde of body," but of good memory. I desire to be buried in the Church of Sereby. To my wife, all my lands, etc., in Serebye during her life and widowhood; if she remarry, or at her decease, my son, Michaell Emerson, to have all my said lands; if he die without issue, the same to go to my son, Robert Emerson, and his heirs male, and in default to remain to my son Thomas Emerson and his heirs male; and failing here, to John Emerson, my son, and his heirs, or to the right heirs of my son, Michael Emerson, for ever. To my son Thomas Emerson, my lands, etc., in Howsam and Cadney, and his heirs; in default, to my sons John, Robt., Michael, or the right heirs of my son Thomas. To my wife, all my houses, lands, etc., in Glamford Briggs; after her decease, to remain to Robert Emerson, my son, and his heirs. To Margery Emerson and Margaret Emerson, the daughters of my son George, deceas d, 20s. each. Residuary legatees, my wife and sons, John, Michael, Robert and Thomas. Executor—My son, Michael Emerson. To Anne Fotherby, my daughter, one of my great silver spoons. Witnesses:—Michael Emers n, John Wilson, the elder of Sereby, his mark, Thomas Emerson and John Robinson, of Sereby, his mark. Proved 10 Feb., 1605—6, by executor. (N.B.—Christian name of wife not given.)

38 MONTAGUE.

13 Sept., 1601. I, George Emerson, of Glamford Brigges, in Co. Lincoln, butcher. To be bur. in Wrawbey Churchyard. To my son Edward and his heirs male, all my lands in Wattam, in Co. Linc.; for default, to my son Alexander and his heirs male; for default, to my bro., Alexander Emerson, and his heirs male; for default, to the next heirs male of my kin. My bro. Alexander to have tuition of my son Alexander. To my dau. Anne Emerson, £60 at her age of 19. John Woode to have the government of said Anne. To Elizabeth Naynebie (as part of her portion given by her mother's will), £10. Geo. Fotherbie to bring up the said Elizabeth. To Jane Emerson my wife, the lease of my dwelling house with all the appurts. except my closes in Westrome. To John Woode my bro., 1 close in Westrome, containing about 4 acres, he paying the rent to Mr. Rob. Tirwhitt. To my said wife 1 close called Marris Car. To Edward Emerson my son, 2 silver spoons. To Anne Emerson my dau., 2 silver spoons. To Bryan Smythe, of Hibalstooe, 40s. To the 2 daus. of Rob. Goddarde, which he had by my sister, 5 marks each. To my sister Mary Braye, 5 marks. To my sister Elizabeth Smythe, 5 marks. To the wife of John Drewrye, of Wattan, £5. All the rest of my goods to my children, Edward, Alexander and Anne. My son Edward to be sole executor. My brothers, Alexander Emerson and John Woode, and Bryan Smithe to be supervisors; the 2 first named to be "Gardiners" to my said son Edward. Proved 18 June, 1602, by said executor.

64 ST. JOHN.

22 Jan., 1630—1. I, Alexander Emerson, of Glamford Briggs, Co. Lincoln, Gentleman, desire to be buried in the parish Church of Wrawby. To Alexander Emerson, the younger, my son-in-law, all my moiety in the parsonage of Coxhill, Co. Lincoln, and all the glebe lands, etc.; he paying £40 yearly to Elizabeth his wife, my daughter, and also to Anne, my wife, "yearely and every yeare duringe the naturall life of my said wife, or else quietly permitt my said wife to receive and take the one half of the rents and profitts." To the said Alexander Emerson, all messuages, cottages, lands, etc., in Barton upon Humber, and £100. To Annie Emerson, my younger daughter, all my lands in Aldingfleete, and £100. To Anne, my wife, my messuage and lands belonging thereto, in Coxhill. To Edward Emerson, son of my deceased brother George, a cottage in Coxhill and £40. To Alexander Emerson, younger, of my decd. brother George, another cottage in Coxhill and £40. To Anne, wife of Wm. Repham, £10. To Mary, wife of Saintpoll Hodgeson, £20, which her husband owes me. To Thomas Baxter, clerk, minister of Wrawby, 20s. for my funeral sermon. To each of my servants, 10s. To John Dixon, 10s. To the poor, 40s. To my daughter, Anne, all my plate and spoons. Executrix and residuary legatee, Anne, my wife. Witnesses:—James Pickwell, his mark; Chr. Smith; John Dixon, his mark. Proved 6 May, 1631, by Anne Emerson, the relict.

AWDLEY 92.

12 June, 1632. I, Anne Emerson, of Glamford Briggs, Co. Lincoln, Widow, desire to be buried in the churchyard of Wrawby, about the entering of the porch. To Thomas Baxter, clerk, minister of Wrawby, 40s. for a funeral sermon. To the poor, 20s.; and the poor of Glamford Briggs, £3. To poor in other parishes, 10s. to each parish. To my godsons Roger Fotherby, Gervase Dixon, Robert Haley, and Robert Bray, and to my goddaughter Anne Pickwell, 10s. each. To Elizabeth Kitchin, 10s., to be paid into the hands of her father, George Kitchin. To Mary Kitchin, to be paid into the hands of my brother, Richard Harrison, 10s. To my brother Richard Harrison, and my two sisters, Jane Fletcher and Elizabeth Smith, of Glenthan, £10 each. To Anne Emerson, of Cadney, and Judith Emerson, her sister, 20s. each. To Elizabeth Smith, of Castor, Widow, and Elizabeth Smith, her daughter, 20s. To Mark Emerson, son of Alexander Emerson, of Retford, £10. To the son of Wm. Wrexham, 20s. To Thomas Emerson, my grandchild, my little black nag, and to Anne Emerson, my grandchild, my best coverlet, etc. To Anne Emerson, my daughter, the house in which I now live and £50, etc. To Elizabeth Emerson, my daughter, £50; £20 to be disposed as my son-in-law, Alex. Emerson, thinks fit. Executors and residuary legatees, my two sons-in-law, Alexander Emerson and Michael Emerson. To Jno. Dixon, at Bradshaw, Anne Story and Elizabeth Aystropp, 10s. each. To my sister Banks, 20s. Witnesses:—Mathew Lambert, Robert Booky, George Johnson, James Pickwell. Proved 5 Sept., 1632, by the executors.

PREROGATIVE COURT OF CANTERBURY.

60 RUSSELL.

11 April, 1633. I, "Michell" Emerson, of Glamford Briggs, in Co. Lincoln, gent. To be buried in the parish Church of Cadney, where I was born. I forgive my father, Robert Emerson, all the debts he owes me. To my uncle, Mr. Michael Emerson, of Serby, my black colt, and to his wife, my Aunt Emerson, of Serby, a gold ring. To my brother, Mr. Alexander Emerson, and Elizabeth his wife, and to Mr. Henrie Weekeley and my sister Anne, his wife, 40s. each to buy gold rings. To Judith Emerson, my sister, a cow. To Christopher Smith, of Glamford Briggs, 20s. for his care of me. To the children of my brother Alexander, to wit, Thomas, Anne and Elizabeth, a silver spoon each. To the poor of Wrawby, 40s. The residue of my goods I give to Anne, my wife, whom I make sole executrix. I forgive Peter Smith, of Glamford Briggs, all the money he owes me. To John Dixon, of Glamford Briggs, my gray cloak. Witnesses:—James Tenny, Thomas Doughtie, Chr. Smythe, Mi. Emerson. Proved 14 June, 1633, by the relict.

62 ESSEX.

19 Mar., 1646. I, Michael Emerson, of Serby, in Co. Lincoln, gent. If I die at or near Serby, my body to be buried in the parish Church there, as near to the place in the middle "Isle" where my father was buried as conveniently may be. To the poor of Serby, 10s.; and to the poor of Caster, 6s. 8d. To Mary, my wife, I give all my lands and tenement in Serby and Cogshill, in Co. Lincoln, (already assured to her in jointure); also my other lands and grounds in Serby which I lately purchased of John Elsham, to hold the said lands for her natural life, with remainder to my heirs by the said Mary; for default, I give the said premises to my nephew, Alexander Emerson, of Caster, Esq., "Councellor att Lawe," and his heirs for ever, on condition that he pay to my nephew, Alexander Emerson, now or late of Adlingfleet, £10 out of my said lands. I give all my library, to wit, all my books both printed and written, to my said nephew, Alexander Emerson, of Caster. I forgive my "noble and worthie good friend," Sir Edward Aysceghe, knight, all the money he owes me. The rest of my goods to Mary, my wife, whom I make sole executrix. My said nephew, Alexander of Caster, to be supervisor. Witnesses:—Thomas Wharfe, Thomas Marshall, Rob. Legerd.

On the 19th day of April, 1648, there issued a commission to Alexander Emerson, Esq., next-of-kin of Michael Emerson, late of Serby, in Co. Lincoln, to admr. the goods, etc., of deceased, Mary the relict and executrix having died.

309 BRENT.

14 Nov., 1651. I, Robert Emmerson, of Atterbie, in the parish of Bishop's Norton, in Co. Lincoln, miller. To be buried in the Churchyard of Bishop's Norton. To Robert my son, my mills at Oresbie and Binibrook; if he die without heirs, the same to go to my dau. Anne and her heirs for ever. To my said dau. Anne and her heirs for

ever my mills at Thetlethorpe-in-the-Marsh and Netleham, and the walke mill at Lowarth, and various sums of money owing to me by Jane Wheatley, of Ryeland, in Co. Linc.; William Hooker, of Wadingham, yeoman; Goodwife Dennise, of Swineh p; Thomas Odling, of Binbrooke; and John Viccars. The rent of the water mill close to be paid to John Greene, of Bishop's Norton. Legacies to Elizabeth Seggeswicke and William Carre (servants). To Lawrence Carliell, minister of Bishop's Norton, 5s. To Thomas Emmerson, my half brother, 20s. Legacies to John Gryser, of Stalinburgh; John Regall, of Dunston, his wife and 2 sons; to Abraham Cutler and his wife; Eliz. Seggeswick and Wm. Carre (servants). My dau. Anne to be sole executrix. Thomas Mason, of Binnibrook, Clerk; and Michael Weight, of the same, gent., to be overseers and guardian of my said children Robert and Anne. Robert Emmerson, his marke. Witnesses:—Wm. Carre, Eliz. Seggeswicke, Lawrence Carliell.

On the 15th Sept., 1653, there issued a commission to Thos. Mason and Michael Weight to admr. the goods, etc., of deced. during the minority of Anne, dau. and executrix.

317 PELL.

17 Nov., 1658. I, William Emerson, of Caborne, in Co. Lincoln, husbandman. To be buried in the par. Church or Churchyard of Caborne. To my 6 sisters, 10s. each. To my brother, John Emerson, 10s. To my dau. Joan, wife of William Symon, of Rothwell, £5. To my grandchild, Elizabeth Markham, 5 marks over and above what was left her by her father, to be paid her when she comes of age. To Eliz. Lanceiuge, widow, Hen. Fish, Marie Cooke, widow, Ric. Hill, John Wright, Ric. Walsh, John Hunter, and William Boswell, the poor of our Town, 12d. each. To our Minister, Ric. Wilcocks, 10s. To my dau. Mary, £30. The rest of my goods to my son William, whom I make sole executor. The marke of William Emerson. Witnesses:—John Emerson, Ar. Emerson. Proved 13 April, 1659.

209 NABBES.

18 Jan., 1658. I, William Emerson, of Brocklesbie, in Co. Lincoln, yeoman. To be bur. in the par. Church or Churchyard of Brocklesbie. To my Godchildren Robert Wreasle, Wm. Gibson, Thos. Lvell, Dorothy Browne, Thos. Dubb, Edward Russells and Wm. Tenny, 5s. each. To Eliz. Harrison, John Longcaster, Rob. Trewen, Widow Smyth, Widow Hogg, Thos. Swynbourne, Widow Fydle, Tho. Fydle, Gyles Moore and Geo. Noddall, poor of Brockeslie, 1s. each. To the Church of Brocklesbie, 40s towards the repairing of the clock and bells and seats in the Church. To my niece Ann Parker, £10. To Ann Emerson, my sister, late wife to Godfrey Emerson, my brother, 5s. Legacies to servants. To my nephew Stephen Emerson, £40, at his age of 21. To my niece Judith Emerson, £40, at her age of 21. If the said Stephen and Judith die, the said money to be paid to my next-of-kin, being the children of my nephew, Anthony Stretton. Legacies to James Lyell, Mary Wakelin, Hannah Wakelin, John Lawson, Jane, Julian and Eliz., daus. of Wm. Lyell, Eleanor, Katherine and Anne, daus. of Thos. Lyell, and Thos. Wakelin. The rest of my goods to Richard Lane, of Tickhill, in Co. York, whom I make sole executor. The mark of William Emerson. Witnesses—Tho. Wakelin, John Lawson. Proved 21 Nov., 1660, by the said executor.

18 BATH.

10 May, 1678. I, Michael Emerson, of Barnetby, in Co. Lincoln, gent. To be bur. in Barnetby Church, "nigh" the bones of my ancestors and friends. I give the moiety of all my lands and tenements in Barnetby to Allan Piercy, of Barnetby, Esq.; Robert Sands, of Coxhill, in the said county, Esq.; and John Glyd, of Gray's Inn, in Co. Midd., Esq., during the life of my sister, Esther Emerson, upon trust that they will permit her to take the profits thereof for her life; after her death, the said moiety to remain to her first and every other son and their heirs male; for default of male and other issue, to the said Esther. I give the said premises to my said feoffees during the life of my sister Susanna Emerson, upon like condition. After her death I give the same to the said feoffees during the life of my nephew, Willfride Smith, upon like condition; after the death of the said Wilfrid, the same to go to his 1st and every other son and their heirs male. As to the other moiety of the said lands, I give it to the said feoffees for the life of my said sister Susanna, upon like condition; after her death to her heirs; for default, to my said sister Esther; after her decease, the said feoffees to hold the same for the life of my sister, Frances Benson, on like condition; after her death, the same to remain to my nephew, Christopher Benson, on like trust, with remainder to his sons and their heirs male; for default, to the heirs male of the said Frances Benson; for default, to the heirs of the said Christopher Benson; for default, the remainder of all my said lands in Barnetby to my right heirs for ever. To my said sister Frances, the yearly rent of £30. To my nephew Wilfrid Smith, the yearly rent of £30. To my said sisters Esther and Susanna, 30 a. of meadow lying in Smithfield, they paying out of the same 40s. to the Churchwardens at Barnetby, to apprentice poor children. I give to the 2 daus. of my nephew, Alexander Emerson, and to their heirs for ever, the close called Scrivener's Close, which I formerly purchased of him. To my nephew Thomas Emerson, the cottage I purchased in Nettleton for his life, with like remainders over as my father devised to him other lands in Nettleton. To my nephew Michael Emerson, for ever, all my lands and tents. in Brigg. To my nephew Wilfrid Smith, all my books of law and "presidents," and the 25 books of "presidents of Declarations and pleadings," with a table thereto framed by my father, who left his law books at my "dispose." To my sister Sands, my sister Benson, my niece Mildred Emerson, and my cousin Anne Foxcroft, 20s. each. To my nephew Michael Emerson, £10. To my nephew John Barnard, £5. To my goddau. Judith Skepper, £10; and to her father, John Skepper, 20s. To my nephew John Farrer, 20s. To my bro. Robert Sands, 20s.; my nephew Thomas Emerson, 20s. To my said feoffees, 20s. each; and to Wm. Fitzwilliams, 20s. To my nieces Elizabeth, Isabell and Frances Bernard, £10 each, at their ages of 21. To my cousins Edward and Henry Weekely, £5 each. To my niece Eliz. Sands, 20s. To Thos. Wortley, 40s.; and to Ric. Hudson, £20. The rest of my goods to my said sisters Esther and Susanna, whom I make executrices. To the poor of Serby and Castor, 20s. Witnesses:—Edward Norman, Samuel Manetey, Edw. Berry, Abraham Harle. Proved 24 Feb., 1679, by the said executrices. [This will is of great length, covering more than 7 large pages.]

CO. GLOUCESTER.

51 WINDSOR.

20 Aug., 1586; 28 Eliz. I, Thomas Emerson, of the parishes of Coldaston and Mangotfield, in Co., Gloue., yeoman. To be bur. in the Church of Mangotffield. I give to the yearly use of the poor of Mangotfiel d, 1 cow or 7 nobles to be delivered by my exe utors to the 8 feoffees following:—Thos. Baunton, Thomas Mitforde, Henry Tucker, Edmund Woolley, John Roe, Richard Jones, Ric. Trivilian and Robert Haskynns. To my kinsman Thomas Emerson, all the household stuff called "standardes" in my house at Coldeaston. To Joan my wife, 2 gowns. Legacies to Anthony Phillippes, of Bristol, baker, Henry Brumell, Thomas Birde, of Hannam, Margaret Best, Elianor Birde, Thomas Champian, Catherine Clement, my goddau., Timothy Gunninge, Wm. Nicolles, Ric. Trivilian, Wm. Clement, Wm. Hunte, Wm. Smithe, Ric. Cooke, Wm. Nicleese, Mary and Alice, daus. of Edward Tylye, of Coldaston, John Moodie and his wife, Francy Millarde, Mother Millarde, Robt. Tylie, of the Gosse, Thos. Balle and Dorothy Harverde, Thos. Gunninge. Joan my wife to have the use of the press in my chamber at Mangotfield for life, and afterwards my said kinsman, Thomas Emerson, to have the same. To the poor of Coldaston, 20s., to be delivered by my exors. to John Tailer, Clerk, parson of Coldaston, John Whittington, Thos. Gunninge, Ric. Moodie, Thos. Frye and Edward Tylye, junior. All the rest of my goods to my said wife and kinsman, whom I make executors. I make the said John Tailer, Richard Emerson, John Roe and Thos. Mitforde overseers. Witnesses:—John Dagge, Wm. Hunte and John Tailor. Debts owing to me:—Robert Llewellen, of Bristleton, 7s.; Tobias Deacon, of Kelson, 6s.; John Hancoke, of Newnton by Tedburie; my cousin, Arthur Emerson, of Stanhoppe in Wardell, in the county palatine of Durham, £30, and one year's rent of 26s. 8d.; and Anthony Weston, of Syston, 1 bushell of wheat. Proved 31 October, 1586, by the said executors.

139 GOARE.

9 Aug., 1637. I, Thomas Emerson, of the city of Bristoll, Dyer, bequeath To my son Thomas Emerson, £50 at his age of 21; if he die before 21, £20 of sd. money to be divided between the children of my brother, Harnois Emerson, and the rest to remain to my wife. To my son Thomas Emerson, my best brass pot. To my sister Margaret Tyly, my less brass pot. To my brother Harnois Emerson, my best cloak. To his wife, one pair of sheets or 12s. Executrix and residuary legatee, Mary Emerson, my wife. 1s. each to John Keech, John Clintorne, John Wilton, Christian Ford, Kimbery Archin. I appoint my brother, Harnois Emerson, overseer. Witnesses:—Thomas Blanchard, Harnois Emerson. The mark of Will Terret. Proved 22 Nov., 1637, by Mary Emerson, the relict.

CO. KENT.

4 GREY.

16 Dec., 1650. I, William Emerson. [No place given.]* To be buried in Darford Church. I make my wife Joanna

and my son, Erassmus Emerson, joint executors. To my grandchild Thomas Emerson, son of my son Thomas, £40, to be paid to him at his age of 21; if he die, the said money to be divided amongst my "sonne's Childdren." I give the £8 in the hands of John Smith to the children of my son, William Emerson, to wit, Mary, Elizabeth and Erasmus Emerson. To each of my s ns, namely, John, Thomas, Richard and Henry Emerson, 5s. each. The mark of William Emerson. Witnesses:—Thomas Beverley, Mathew Losties. Proved 13 Jany., 1650—1, by the relict, Joane Emerson.

189 BOWYER.

3 Sept., 1652. I, Erasmus Emerson, of the parish of Darenth, in Co. Kent, collarmaker. To Mary my wife, £5, and convenient room in my now dwelling house in Darenth during her life. To my gran-dau. Elizabeth Brewster, dau. of John Brewster, £10. To my grandson John Brewster, son of the said John, £20, he to have 20s. a year until his age of 21. To my granddau. Elizabeth Old, dau. of Lawrence Old, £15. To the child unborn of my dau. Alice, wife of the said Lawrence Old, £10. To my said dau. Alice, £10. To my dau. Anne Brewster, wife of the said John Brewster, £5. I give 3 parts of my estate to my said sons-in-law, their wives and children, and the 4th part thereof to my brothers and sisters. The said Lawrence Old to have £5 deducted out of the redemption of the wood called Hardinge. I make the said John Brewster and his dau. Elizabeth executors, and Barnard Ellis and my brother, Richard Emerson, overseers. Witnesses:—Thomas Youge and Tho. Hawes. Proved 24 Sept., 1652, by John Brewster, executor.

306 ALCHIN.

28 Nov., 1653. I, Erasmas Emerson, of the parish of Dartford, in Co. Kent, yeoman. To be buried in the par. Church of Dartford, as near to my father as conveniently may be. To each of the children of my brothers William, John, Thomas, Henry and Richard, 5s. To Ralph Eaton, son of Paul Eaton, 5s. To my dau. Fayth Emerson, £100. The rest of my goods to my wife Rose Emison, whom I make sole executrix. John Rowe and John Hewes, of Darford, to be overseers. If my said dau. die, then the said £100 to be divided amongst the children of my said brothers and the children of Margaret Batt, wife of Thomas Batt, of Earitch. Henry Frith, of Crayford, to be overseer concerning my dau. Faith's said legacy. Witnesses:—Henry Frith, John Lewes, Wm. Garnous. Proved 2 Feby., 1653—4.

SAILORS.

59 ST. JOHN.

29 Oct., 1630. I, Michaell Emerson, "Saylor," in the ship Jonah. To Mr. Lord, Chirurgeon, £3. To Edward George, Chirurgion's mate, £3. To Andrew Culliford, 20s. To John Scull, 18s. To my sister Mawdlyn Farroe, £10. To Ellis Michall, £10, and all else belonging to me. Witness:—Thomas Turner, Purser.

14 May, 1631. Issued commission to Ellis Michell, principal legatee named in the will of Michael Emerson, to administer goods, etc.

106 SADLER.

3 Oct., 1634. I, Henry Emerson, in the good ship Hart, Trumpeter. Whereas my brother, John Emerson, being drowned at Armagon, left me £50, which is in the Companies' hands, I leave the same to the parish of Stepney, for the use of the poor. To John Swanley, £8. To James Mathews, 20s. To Richard Foster, 20s. To Elizabeth Gribble, dwelling in Wapping, 10s. To Michael Bedwell, 20s. To William Bowen, 20s. To Joseph Sturgis, 2 s. and my Trumpett. Executors—Captain Richard Swauley and James Mathews. Witnesses:—James Mathewe, Alexander Tripp, Richard Thornton. Proved 8 Oct., 1635, by Richard Swauley. Similar power reserved for James Mathews.

30 BOND.

30 Nov., 1694. I, John Emmerson, cooper, belonging to their Majesties' Ship Winchester, make my sister, Elizabeth Emmerson, my lawful attorney, executor and universal legatee. Witnesses:—Thos. Butler, Edwd. Penolier, And. Maller. Proved 6 March, 1695, by the oath of Elizabeth Ely alias Emerson, wife of Thomas Ely, executrix.

47 BOND.

28 June, 1695. I, Joseph Emerson, now belonging to H.M. Ship Rochester, have made my wife, Mary Emerson, of the parish of Aldgate, in Co. Middlesex, my lawful attorney, executrix and legatee. Witnesses:—J. Jones, Lt.; Jam. Couch, Mar.; Gab. Gillingham, Clk.

17 Apr l, 1696. There issued a commission to Thomas Shrowsbridge, principal creditor of Joseph Emerson, late of the royal ship the Rochester, to administer goods of deced., Mary Emerson the relict first renouncing.

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*Of Dartford, *vide* Register.

CO. YORK.

186 WOOTTON.

15 Jan., 1657. I, Christopher Emmerson, of Barton-in-the-Street, in Co. York, Clerk. To be bur. under the great white stone which lies in Barton Chancel. I give my 2 houses built as one in New Malton in old Malton-gate, next to the new place, to my wife, Anne Emmerson, for her widowhood, she paying yearly out of the same to my son John 6s. 8d., and to my son Samuel, 5s. To my son Christopher, £3. To my dau. Anne Cundum, £3. To Richard Emmerson for his filial portion if he return into the country, £3. To my son Roger Emmerson, £3. To my son Edmund, £3. To my son Leonard in his minority, £5. To my dau. Jane Emmerson, 20 nobles. To my dau. Christian Emmerson, £5 5s. My wife to have the tuition of the said Leonard and Christian, and to be sole executrix. To my sister Beverley, of Ruillinton (?), 2s. Legacies to Eliz. Bell, Mary Yates, of Malton, Eliz. Welburne (servant). My son John to have 1 of the said houses after the widowhood of my wife, and after his life natural the said houses to come to my son Samuel, and so from one son to another. Witnesses:—John Brathwaite and Barbara Harrison. Proved 13 March, 1657—8, by Annie, the relict.

CO. DURHAM.

501 WOOTTON.

29 Jany., 1657. I, Lionell Emerson, of Shealehirst, in the parish of Stanhope, in Weardaill. To be buried in the Church or Churchyard of Stanhope. To my dau. Margery, £40, etc., etc. To my dau. Elizabeth, money and goods to the same value. My wife Grace to be sole executor. Lyonell Emerson, his marke. Witnesses:—John Bambridge, Thos. Bowban, Lyonell Dickenson, Nicholas Richardson. Proved 22nd July, 1658.

CO. SUFFOLK.

75 PELL.

Memorandum that on or about the 16th of January, 1657, Elizabeth Emerson, of Easton, in Co. Suff., widow, made her will nuncupative as follows:—She gave all her goods equally between her children, John Emerson, Matthew Emerson, Susan Brunninge and Mary Cave. Witnesses:—Edward Capon, Margaret Kerridge.

The 10th day of February, 1658, admon. of the goods of deced. was granted to Matthew Emerson, son, and one of the legatees mentioned in the above will.

CO. OXFORD.

10 MEADE.

Dec., 1617. Fulke Emerson, of the city of Oxford, Taylor, being of perfect mind and memory, made his will nuncupative as follows:—His eldest son, John Emerson, to have his lands. His youngest son, Fulke Emerson, to have the lease of his dwelling house and a portion. His three daughters (names not given) to have £100 each. His son, John Emerson, to be his executor. Witnesses:—Richard Smythe, Richard Ryder. Proved 12 Feb., 1617—8, by executor.

CO. CAMBRIDGE.

100 SADLER.

19 August, 1635. I, Thomas Emerson, Vicar of Wisbech, desire to be buried in the great Chancel of Wisbech, St. Peters, "nere unto my wyve's grave there." To my kinsman, Mr. Thomas Martin, Vicar of Stowe, 30s. To Mr. Anthony Fisher, gentleman, 20s. To Mr. Abel Hodges, Parson of Tid St. Gyles, 20s. I entreat said Anthony and Abel to be my overseers. To Beatrice Johnson, my maid-servant, 40s. To Anne Whisby, 10s. To the poor of Wisbech, St. Peters, 40s. The residue of my goods I give to my three daughters, Francis, Elizabeth and Anne, whom I make joint executrixes of my will. Witnesses:—Thomas Martin, the mark of Henry Harwicke. Proved 10 Oct., 1635, by Frances, Elizabeth and Anne Emerson.

CO. NORFOLK.

448 BERKLEY.

23 Aug., 1656. I, Nicholas Emerson, of Great Yarmouth, in Co. Norff., mariner. To my wife Frances Emerson, £10 and all my household goods. To my son Thomas Emerson, £60. To my dau. Emme, £30. To my dau. Mary, £30. After the death of my said wife I give to the said Thomas, Emme and Mary, £40 more each. To every one of my grandchildren, 20s. To Thomazine Thompson, widow of Edward Thompson, deced., £5 towards the maintenance of her children by him. I make Mr. Thomas Meadowe, of Yarmouth, merchant, my sole executor. The mark of Nicholas Emerson. Witnesses:—Geo. Gaell, Joseph Yates, Tho. Medow, mason. Proved 8 Dec., 1656.

176 IRBY.

17 Jan., 1694—5. I, Henry Emerson, now belonging to H.M.S. the London, mariner, have made my wife, "Usley" Emerson, of the par. of Stepney, in Co. Midd., my lawful attorney and executrix, leaving her all my goods. Witnesses:—Francis Lanes, Patt. Mackie, S. Percivall, Tho. Coleman, clr. to Alexr. Cowse, not. pub.

CO. BEDFORD.
(Prerogative Court of Canterbury.)
16 Loftes.

4 Sept., 1558. William Emersam, of Woborne, in Co. Bedford, yeoman. To my sister Elizabeth Lay, an annuity of £22 6s. 8d. I make her my sole executrix. To Mr. John Easton, whom I make supervisor, my lease of Burses and Brenttoll which is in the hands of Giles Alens, "which Giles Alen lyeth at one master Morris his howse againste the Standerde in Cheapside." To the said Elizabeth, £180 of goods in the hands of Thomas Lockey, of St. Albons, and William Saunders, of Pottesgrave, in Co. Bedford, gent.; also £6 13s. 4d., which Wm. Johnson, of North Crawley, took out of my house at Oobourne, I being prisoner in the King's Bench; also £63 for the occupation of my malt mill at Oobourne; my lease of Church Hale and Bygyngese, in Pachilsam and Great Stanbridge in Co. Essex; my lease of the manor of Hawstid; my lease of the manors of Warnors, Asplinge and Newlands, in Great Waltham, in Co. Essex. Legacies to Humfrey Mason, Geo. Robinson, Edmond More, Wm. Brooke. To Wm. Wiate, a "cloake of browne blew, which Thomas Morris tooke from my beddes syde forceably without my concent in the Kinges bentche, which cloake standeth me in xxvj.s." To Wm. Brooke and Wm. Wyate, 12 flaunders skins, which stand me in 28s., which skins John Alexander had of John Hamonde, promising him to lay out 12s. 10d. for another week's board, but he did not lay 1d., as appears by the marshall's books, for there was not 1d. laid out for me at any man's hands after I had set my hands to the marshall's books, so I was robbed by him of my goods. To the said Eliz. Lax and Mr. John Easton authority for the payment of £54 which I laid out of tenths and subsidies, and the first fruits of the parsonage of Pecholsam, which John Standeche, Clerk, and John Millar, of Pecholsam, and John Gorbolde, of Rotcheforde, received, but did not account for, as Nicholas Bery and Wm. Martyn, of Rocheforde, will witness. To the said Eliz., my house at Ooborne, which lease I had of Rob. Pountes, of Rickmonworth, in Co. Hertford. Witnessed 7th Ap., 1 Eliz. (No names given.) Proved 6th May, 1561, by Eliz. Laxe, alias Bromley.

51 Goare.

28 Mar., 1637. I, Stephen Emmenson, of Little Barkeford. Co. Bedford, bequeath legacies to Elizabeth, my lawful wife; Wm. Emmenson, my brother; Henry Emmenson, son of said Wm.; the 4 daughters of sd. Wm., Barbary, Elizabeth, Mary and Anne; Henry Emmenson, son of Henry Emmenson, my brother, decd.; Lettice Emmenson, daughter of sd. Henry; Edmund Emmenson, son of Edmond Emmenson, my brother; the two daughters of sd. Edmond, Jane and Elizabeth; Anne Sibly, widow, my sister; Thos. Hubbard, her son; Stephen Sibly, her son; Sibill Hubbard, her daughter. To John Jee, the elder, Nicholas Sansome, Grace Jackeson, Joane Larkinson, Anne Crumpe, Anne Wath, the poor of Little Barkeford. Executor and residuary legatee, Edmund Emmenson, my brother. Witnesses:—Gilbert Ashley, the mark of Henrie Tingie. (All money legacies, except a tenement, wherein he now dwells.) Proved 18 April, 1637, by Edmund Emmenson, the executor. (Abstracted thus on account of the spelling of the name Emmenson.)

516 Ruthen.

16 Oct., 1657. I, Edward Emmersum, of the town and county of Bedford, husbandman. To my nephew John, son of John Ward, of Elverstoe, £5. To Thomas, son of the said John Ward, £5. To Marie, dau. of the said John Ward, £5. All the rest of my goods to my wife Marie, whom I make sole executrix. The Marke of Edward Emmersum. Witnesses:—Theodore Crowley, Anthony Rush, Tho. Wiggins. Proved 24 Nov., 1657, by Mary, the relict.

CO. HERTFORD.
28 Streal.

23 Oct., 1562. I, Richard Emerson, of Stondon, in Co. Hertford. To be buried in the parish Church of Stondon, near the place where my Father lies buried. To Simon Carter an annuity of £5 out of all my lands in Standon. All my lands and tents. in Co. Herts, to my executors to fulfill my will. Lease of all my lands in Stondon to John Westwood and Annis, his wife. £6 13s. 4d. to be paid yearly to James Hennage, my heir. As to my house and tenements within Trinity Gate without Aldersgate, in London, I give 1 tenement in the tenure of Crossell, the tailor, to Wm. Swayne, my Aunt's daughter's son, and to his heirs for ever. The other 2 tents., one occupied as a coal house, and the other in the tenure of Mother Gynings, together with the house I dwell in, I give to my executors, on condition that they sell them to some of my kindred who will give for them what I paid. If I lie long sick, I entreat old Mistress Glascok to forsake her dwelling in the country and to stay with me, in which case she to dwell in a portion of my said house without paying rent. I make my cousin, Thomas Nuse, the elder, Sebastian Carter and Thos. Smyth, executors. Legacies to my master, my cousin, Clement Nuse, the elder, Wm. Nuse, Thos. Nuse, the elder, Ric. Clarke and their wives, my cousin Goldesmyth, my cousin Dymmock, Eliz. Nuse, Clement Nuse, Thomas Nuse, the Scoller, my cousin Dames wife, Margery Stopes, Lofte's wife, my Godchildren, Thos. Nuse's dau., Stopes' son and Loft's son, my cousin Mary Kirbye, my Godson Wm. Balle and his mother, Mother Carter and 5 of her children, Manuing's wife, Prater's wife, my Nurse Marshall, my cousin Godman's children, my cousin James Hennage's brothers and sisters, John Farmer and his wife, Fortune's wife, Wm. Hayt, Westwood's wife, Simon Carter, my cousin Thos. Nuse, Sebastian Carter, Thos. Smyth. £10 towards mending the high ways about Much Haddam. £13 6s. 8d. amongst my poor kinsfolk. I make my cousins, Clement Newce, the elder, and Francis Goldsmith. Witnesses:—Wm. Tooke, esq., Clement Nuse, junior, merchant, James Hennage, Thos. Nuse, gent., Walter Tooke, gent., Wm. Tooke, junior, Symon Carter and Wm. Curle. Proved 5 November, 1562.

CO. HUNTINGDON.
44 Berkley.

Memorandum that Richard Emerson, late of Bluntsham, in Co. Huntingdon, gent., deceased, made his will nuncupative on or about the 21st day of August, 1655, and thereby bequeathed all his goods whatsoever to his 2 sons, Matthew and Thomas Emerson. Witnesses:—John Aslry, Thos. Heddy.

On the 25th Feb., 1655—6, administration of all the goods, etc., of Ric. Emerson, deced., was granted to Matthew Emerson, his eldest son.

157 Wootton.

7 Oct., 1657. I, Thomas Emerson, of Bluntsham, in Co. Huntingdon, gent. To be buried in the Church of Bluntsham and Earith, near to my father. To the children of my brother Thomas Allen, £20 each, his daus. to be paid when 18, and the sons when 21. To my sister Catherine Allen, 20s. To the children of my bro. Robert Selby, £20 each, to be paid as above. To the dau. of Mary Stockdill, £22. To Henery Emerson, 40 [*sic*]. To the poor of Bluntsham and Earith, 20s. yearly, "soe long as ye world indureth." The rest of my goods to my bro. Mathew Emerson, whom I make sole executor. Witnesses:—Richard Coxe, Wm. Gill. Proved 9th Feb., 1657—8, by the executor.

CO. ESSEX.
31 Wootton.

18 Jan., 1654. I, Thomas Emmerson, of Kelvedon, in Co. Essex, carpenter. I give to Ellen my wife, all that part of the house wherein I now dwell in Kelvedon in like manner as it was disposed to me and my heirs for ever by the will of Thomas Emmerson, my father deced, for her natural life; after her death, I give the same to my dau., Anne Emmerson and her heirs for ever. If the said Anne die without heirs, the same to go to the use of my brother, Samuel Emmerson, and his heirs for ever. To my brother John Prigmore, the coat which was my fathers. The rest of my goods to Ellen, my wife, whom I make sole executrix. To Elizabeth Emerson, my sister, 10s. Witnesses:—Tho. Gaell, Tho. Daye, Mary Clarke. Proved 29 Jany., 1657—8, by Ellen, the relict.

21 Wootton.

12 Sept., 1651. I, Thomas Embersonne, of Kelvedon, in Co. Essex, carpenter. To my sonne Thomas Embersonne and his heirs, all that part of my house wherein I now dwell, "soe farr as containe to the Tenement wherein one Harris lately dwelt," lying in Kelvedon, to hold to the said Thomas and his heirs for ever, provided that he pay out of the same £16 to Samuel Embersonne, my son. If the said Samuel be dead, then the said Thomas shall pay £5 to Frances, my dau., and £5 to Elizabeth Embersonne, my dau. If my said son Thomas die without issue, I give the said part of my house to the rest of my children, to wit, Samuel, Frances, Joane and Elizabeth. To Eliz. my dau. and her heirs for ever, all that other part of my house late in the occupation of one Harris, adjoining the house wherein I now dwell. To my dau. Frances, a featherbed, etc. To Thomas Day, my son-in-law, £10. To Eliz., my dau., 1 pot, etc. To John Prigmore, my son-in-law, £16; and to Joan his wife, my dau., 1 holland apron. My son Thomas to be sole executor; if he die, my son Samuel and the said John Prigmore to be executors. The marke of Tho. Embersonne. Witnesses:—William Clarke, Geo. Mathewes.

On the 29th day of January, 1657—8, letters of admon. issued forth to Ellen Embersonne, the relict and executrix of Thomas Emberson, the younger, son and executor of the deced. Thomas Emberson, the elder, to administer the goods, etc., of deced., because the said Thomas the younger died before probate of the said will.

COMMISSARY COURT OF LONDON.

Admons.

14 Dec., 1587. There issued a comm. to Frances Emersam, relict of Ralph Emersam, late of the par. of Elinge, to admr., etc.

23 Feb., 1606—7. There issued a commission to Agnes Emerson, relict of Henry Emerson, late of the par. of Stepney, in Co. Midd., to admr., etc.

14 Sept., 1619. There issued a comm. to Elizabeth Emerson, relict of James Emerson, late of the par. of Whitechapel, in Co. Midd., to admr., etc.

9 June, 1626. There issued a comm. to Reginald Harris, one of the creditors of Cuthbert Emerson, who lately died in parts beyond the seas, to admr., etc.

22 Jan., 1627—8. There issued a comm. to William Emerson, brother of George Emerson, late of the par. of the Blessed Mary of Matfellon, alias Whitechapel, in Co. Midd., but who died in parts beyond the seas, to admr., etc.

6 May, 1631. There issued a comm. to Ellice (Ellicie) Michael, principal legatee named in the will of Michael Emerson, late of the par. of Stepney, in Co. Midd., but who died abroad, to admr., etc.

17th Sept., 1636. There issued a comm. to Sarah Emmerson, relict of William Emmerson, late of the par. of St. Mary Matfellon, alias Whitechapel, in Co. Midd., to admr., etc.

29 July, 1675. There issued a comm. to Mary Emerson, widow, relict of Robert Emerson, late of the par. of St. Albans, Woodstreet, London, to admr., etc.

20 Oct., 1690. There issued a comm. to Elizabeth Emerson, relict of Philip Emerson, late of the par. of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, Midd., to admr., etc.

Emerson, Charles, missing. Searched the whole year.

Vicar General's Books.

17 Oct., 1634. Admon. of goods, etc., of Richard Emerson, late of New Branford, in Co. Midd., was granted to Elizabeth Emerson, his relict.

P.C.C. Admon.

14 Nov., 1631. Commission issued to Robert Forte, a creditor of Thomas Metham als. Emerson, late of the parish of St. Bride's, in Fleet Street, London, Bachelor, deceased, to administer goods, etc.

2 Dec., 1631. Commission issued to Mary Emerson, relict of Thomas Emerson, late of Ratcliff, par. of Stepney, Midd., deceased, to administer, etc.

14 Jan., 1632—3. Commission issued to Richard Emerson, son of John Emerson, while living of the parish of New Bramford, Co. Midd., decd., to administer, etc., Eva Emerson, the relict and administratrix, being dead. (See May, 1629, page 95.)

27 May, 1633. Commission issued to Anne Emerson, relict of John Emerson, late of Ipswich, Suffolk, deceased, to administer, etc.

24 August, 1633. Commission issued to James Clarke, creditor of Thomas Emerson, late in parts beyond the seas, Bachelor, deceased, to administer, etc. (See 1637—8.)

8 Mar., 1637—8. Commission issued to John Emerson, the brother of Thomas Emerson, late in parts beyond the sea, decd., to administer goods, etc., James Clarke, late administrator, being dead.

12 Dec., 1646. Commission issued to Catherine Emerson, the relict of John Emerson, late of the parish of St. Mary, Abchurch, London, decd., to administer goods, etc.

26 Jan., 1646—7. Commission issued to Elizabeth Emerson, *re* Andrew, late of the parish of Mangotsfeild, Co. Gloucester, decd., to administer goods, etc.

1 Mar., 1649—50. Commission issued to Christopher Mickleton, creditor of Richard Emson, late of Lynts, in Co. Durham, decd., to administer, etc.

31 Aug., 1624. Commission issued to Jane Emerson, relict of Thomas Emerson, Esq., late of Hadlye, Co. Midd., decd., to administer goods, etc. (See 1628, p. 60.)

25 June, 1628. Commission issued to John Emerson, son of Jane Emerson, late of St. Andrews, Holborn, London, to administer, etc.

15 Nov., 1628. Commission issued to John Emerson, son of Thomas Emerson, late of Hadley, Co. Midd., Esq., to administer goods, etc., of deceased; Jane Emerson, the relict and former administratrix, having died. (See Aug., 1624; p. 109.)

8 May, 1629. Commission issued to Eva Emerson, relict of John Emerson, late of "Brainford Nova," Co. Midd., decd., to administer goods, etc. (See 14 Jan., 1622—3; p. 144.)

14 Oct., 1652. There issued a commission to Elizabeth Emerson, the relict of Cuthbert Emerson, late of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, deced., to administer the goods, etc., of deced.

31 May, 1653. There issued a commission to Margaret Emerson, relict of Hugh Emerson, who lately died in parts beyond the seas, to administer the goods, etc.

23 Jan., 1655. There issued a commission to Elizabeth Emerson, relict of John Emerson, late of Hagbourne, in Co. Berks, to administer his goods, etc.

3 Mar., 1656—7. There issued for Letters of Administration to Cuthbert Emerson, uncle and curator assigned to Elizabeth, Thomas, John, George, Margaret and Isabell, children of William Emerson, late of Stanhop, in Co. Durham, deceased, intestate, to admr. the goods, etc., of deceased during the minority, and to the only use of the said children.

4 July, 1673. There issued a commission to Elizabeth Emerson, relict of John Emerson, late of Sandwich, in Co. Kent, but who died in parts beyond the sea, to admr. the goods, etc., of deced.

13 July, 1676. There issued a commission to Lydia Stubbing, dau. and next-of-kin of Lydia Emerson, late of the parish of St. Anne, Blackfriars, London, to admr. the goods, etc., of deced.

15 Oct., 1688. There issued a commission to Francis Briggs, principal creditor of George Emerson, late of the parish of Roderhith, in Co. Surrey, but who died on the high seas in the ship The Mary, bachelor, to admr. the goods, etc., of deced.

20 Oct., 1691. There issued a commission to Clowdisley Jenkinson, attorney of Richard Shaw, lawful heir (heri legitimi) of William Emmerson, who lately died in the Royal Ship The Exeter, to admr. goods of deced. to the use of the said Richard Shaw.

In the Calendar of Admons., Oct., 1665, the name of Marmaduke Emerson is most distinctly written, but in the Act Book it does not appear at all. I have searched to the end of Decr., 1665, in the hope of finding it.

17 Feb., 1672—3. There issued a commission to Thomas Wise, Esq., nephew on the sister's side, and next-of-kin of Christopher Emerson, late of the par. of St. Martin-in-the Fields, in Co. Midd., to admr., etc.

28 Jan., 1681—2. There issued a comm. to Nicholas Felton, principal creditor of John Emerson, lately belonging to the ship The Newcastle, but who died at Blackwall, in the par. of Stepney, in Co. Midd., to admr., etc., Sarah Emerson, the relict, expressly renouncing.

9 April, 1687. There issued a comm. to Anne Emerson, widow, relict of Robert Emerson, late of the par. of St. Mary Magdalene, Bermondsey, in Co. Surrey, but who died in the ship called The Sampson, upon the high seas, to admr., etc.

30 Mar., 1693. There issued a comm. to Jane Chapman, alias Emerson (wife of Thomas Chapman), sister and next-of-kin of George Emerson, late of the par. of St. James, Westminster, in Co. Midd., but who died in the Bermudas in parts beyond the seas, to admr., etc.

On the 19th Oct., 1607, there issued a commission to Thomas Wilson, one of the creditors of William Emerson, late of Haddenham, in Co. Cambridge, to administer, etc.

On the 4th day of February, 1617—18, there issued a comm. to Thomas Emerson, Esq., son of Elizabeth Padgett, alias Emerson, late of the par. of St. Saviours, in the borough of Southwark, in Co. Surrey, to admr., etc.

On the 13th Jany., 1639—40, there issued a comm. to Humphrey Emerson, brother of William Emerson, husband of Mary Emerson, late of the par. of St. Botolph without Aldgate, London, to admr. the goods of deceased during the absence of the said William, and until he shall return to this kingdom.

On the 16th Oct., 1650, there issued a comm. to James Emerson, uncle on the father's side to Elizabeth Emerson, dau. of Robert Emerson, who lately died in Scotland, to admr. the goods, etc., of the deced. during the minority of the said Elizabeth.

19 Sept., 1654. There issued letters of admon. to Israell Free, only son of Sylvester Free, otherwise Emerson, late of Darford, in Co. Kent, widow, deced., to admr., etc.

31 Jany., 1654—5. There issued a commission to Ralph Emerson, only child of Ralph Emerson, late of Kilham, in Co. Northumberland, who died intestate, to admr. the goods, etc., of deced.

31 Jany., 1654—5. There issued a commission to Ralph Emerson, only child of Alice Emerson, late of Kilham, in Co. Northumberland, widow, who died intestate, to admr., etc.

17 July, 1660, letters of admon. issued forth to Ralph Emerson, son of Alice Emerson, alias Dale, late of Lynn, in Co. Norff., deced., to admr., etc.

16 Oct., 1660. There issued a comm. to Cecilia Emerson, widow, relict of George Emerson, late of the parish of St. Nicholas Olaves, London, deced., to admr., etc.

[Extracted from the Principal Registry of the Probate Divorce and Admiralty Division of the High Court of Justice.]

In the Name of God, Amen. I, Thomas Emerson, now of Ratliff, in the pishe. of Stepney and county of Midd.,

Esqr., beinge sicke of body, but of good and sound memorie and understanding, the Name of God be praised, Doe make and ordaine this my last will and testament in maner and forme following: First I bequeath my sowle into the hands of my Creator, my body to the earth, assuredly beleeving by the only mercies of god and the only meritte of my blessed savior, and by his divine power, sowle and body shall, at the finall Judgment, receive the inheritance of the faithful in the kingdom of heaven, And for my temporall estate, whereyth it hath pleased god to blesse me, I dispose of it in maner and forme following:—first I doe give and bequeath all my lande and houses, and whatsoever else I am possessed or may or ought to be possessed of in Southwark, in the County of Surrey, vnto my loving brother, John Emerson. Itm.: I doe give and bequeath unto my said brother John Emerson, all those my houses and tenements in Croucheth Friers, near Tower Hill. Itm.: I doe give and bequeath vnto my younger brother, Tho. Emerson, and my two sisters, Elizabeth the elder, and Elizabeth Emerson, the younger, all my landes, leases or profitte whatsoever of Bradbury and Hilton, in the County Palatine of Durham. In witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seale this first day of October, 1631. Tho. Emerson. In the presence of Ely To'urner and Concel Machor, his marke, Anthony Skynner. Probate of the above Will was granted in London December, 1631, to Maria Emerson, the Relict of Thomas Emerson, of Radcliffe, in the parish of Stepney.

An Inventorie of all the goods and chattels wch. Thomas Emerson, late of Lincolns Inn, Esquire, died possessed of wthin. the countie Pallatyne of Durham. Apprized the 20th day of July, 1632, by Thomas Tailor, George Wilkinson, William Wilson and Stephen Cocker. The Lease of Bradburie and Hilton wch. the said Thomas Emerson Did hold by lease of his Matie for one thousand yeares (whereof there are some few yeares unexpired), for wch. the said Thomas Emerson his executrs., admnors. [*sic*] and assignes are to pay yearlie to his Matie his heirs and successors during the said terme the sume of five hundred and fiftie pounds, wch. said Rent and all other cessmts. and duties concerning the same being paid and discharged, wee value and apprize the said lease to four hundred pounds. Thomas Taylor, George Wilkinson, William Wilson, Stephen Cocker. Probate of the above Will was granted at Durham 20th July, 1632, to Maria Emerson, alias Henslow ux. of Thomas Henslow, and late wife of Thomas Emerson, Esqr., late of Radcliffe, in the parish of Stepney, in the county of Middlesex. (Howe MS.)

July 6, 1637. Administration of the goods of Thomas Emerson, of Blackfriars, in the County of Middlesex, was granted to Henry Townsend, of Detton in the County of Salop.

71 Irby.

5 Aug., 1693. I, William Emmerson, of Gateshead, in Co. Durham, mariner, make John Peirson, of Wapping, in Co. Midd., mariner, my attorney and executor, giving him all my goods, etc. Witnesses:—Wm. Milroy, Jane Jackson, Jno. Bulfinch. Proved 6 May, 1695.

11 Bucke.

[Printed because this family subsequently took the name of Emerson (*vide* Lincolnshire Emersons).—P. H. E.]

In the name of god. Amen. The xxj.st daye of December in the yere of our lorde god, a Thousande fyve hundreth and fyftie. I, John Emotson, of Buryhe, being hole of mynde and purfytt of remembrance, makith my last will and testament in maner and forme folowing:—Fyrst, I will my soule to god Almightie and to all the holly company of heaven, and my bodye to be buryed in the southe churche parishe of saynte peter in Buryhe aforesaide. I give to the poor mens boxe in Buryhe tenne shillinges. Item: To the mending of the Stanebowe way, vj.s. viij.d. Item: I will there be gyven in Almes to poore people in Hatofte. iij.s. iiij.d. Item: To poore folkes in florsbe, iij.s. iiij.d. Item: In Cadilsbe, to the poore, xx.d. Item: To the poore in Gumbe, xx.d. Item: To the poore in Orbe, ij.s. Item: To the poore in Wynthorpe, xx.d. Item: To the poor in Croste, xx.d. Item: To the poor in Wansbett, iij.s. iiij.d. Item: I give to the Scollers of Maydalyn College in Oxford, to be distributed there by the sight of Mr. President of the said College, foure poundes. Item: I give to Chrofer. Elen, xiij.s. iiij.d. and a black clooke that was his mothers, with a brazen weght. Item: To Jasper Elen, twentie shillinges. Item: To Jenyt Trew, their [*sic*] sister, vj.s. viij.d. Item: To Dorothy Coxson, their syster, vj.s. viij.d. Item: To Elizabeth Elen, vj.s. viij.d. Item: To Alice Elen, vj.s. viij.d. Item: I give to Agnes Lyncoln, whiche was the Childe of Mary, my daughter, Seven poundes. All thes legacies given, I will they shalbe delyuered when they shall come to laufull age. Item: I give to every one of my godchildren, viij.d. Item: I give to Robert Southwell, my servante, one shepe. And to Water Southwell, one shepe, they to be delyvered at Candelmas cum twelmoneth. Item: To Cristeon Southe, my servante, a Cowe, to be delyvered a yere after my deathe. Item: I gyve to William Emotson, my Sonne, all suche woodes with other naylmentes as ys aboute my groundes. Item: I give to Alice Tortyll, my daughter, tenne poundes. Item: To Richard trew, xij.d. And to Robert Wright, of Alforthe, viij d.; and to his wyf, viij.d.; and to William Trew, iiij.d.; and every one of Robert Wrightes Children, iiij.d. Item: I give to my Mr. master John Eton one of my foure geldinges, that ys other one blacke wt. a white foote, or elles a bay wt. a bell in his hedd; and to my Mres., his wife, tenne shillinges; and to every one of his houshold, iiij.d. Item: I give to Mr. John Cuppildike, twentie shillinges, and to his wyfe, tenne shillinges. And to Thomas Tornell, viij.d.; and to every one in his house, iiij.d. The residue of my goodes (the poore folkes wthin. the parishe of Burghe being served of their Almes) I give three partes of yt to William Emottson, my sonne. And the fourthe parte to James Tortell, my sonne-in-lawe. Also I will that William and James aforesaid have the occupyenge of my Leases one yere next after my deathe. And afterwarde I will that William my sonne have them my yeres holly to hymself. And further, I make the said William and James myn Executors of this my last will and testament. Provyded alwaye yf any discension or debate happen betwixte my said Executours that then I will they shall byde th' order and agrement of my Mr. Master John Etton and Mr. John Cuppildyke, whom I make my surveyers of this my last wyll and testament, willing them to Councell my said Executors in tyme of their nede. Thes witnesses—Mr. William Cracroft, Robert Mody.

COMMISSARY COURT OF LONDON (ESSEX AND HERTS).

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18 Sept., 1661. I, Margarett Emeson, of White Notley, in Co. Essex, widow. To Christopher my son, the "malt fatt," etc. To Anne my dau., now wife of Joseph Love, 1 bed, etc. To Sara my dau., now wife of Daniel Rawland, 1 press, etc. To Mary my dau., the press in the hall. To Joanna, my dau., a bed, etc. I make Joseph Love, of Felsted, my son-in-law, my exor Witnesses:—Robert Long, John Child. Proved 1666—68.

Hamor 411.

13 May, 1683. I, Mary Emesonn, of White Notley, in Co. Essex, spinster. To Christopher Emesonn, my brother, 5s. To John and Joseph Emesonn, sons of my sd. bro., 10s. each. To Daniel Rawling and Sarah Rawling, children of my bro. Daniel Rawling, of White Notley, all my goods. I make the said Daniel Rawling, senior, my exor. Witnesses:—Joseph Purkis, Daniel Rawling, senior, Ralph Dowcett. Proved 15 Sept., 1690.

Watts 125.

17 Nov., 1703. I, Thomas Emerson, of the parish of Vange, in Co. Essex. To be bur. in Vange Church as near my wife as possible. To my dau. Sarah Emerson, £600 at her age of 21; also the rents of my marsh called Narswich Marsh, in Fobbing. To my son Matthew and his heirs for ever, all my lands at his age of 21. Mr. Thomas Hervey, Rector of Downham, to be guardian of my sd. children and sole exor. Legacies to Mr. Geo. Allen, senior, Mrs. Margaret Hammond and her son Will. Hammond, Eliz. Crumpton, my kinswoman, John Man. Residue of my goods to my son Matthew. Proved 26 Jan., 1704—5.

218 Watts.

13 Mar, 1703—4. I, John Emberson, of Little Waltham, in Co. Essex, yeoman. To Eliz. my wife, my tenement in Raine Street, now in the tenure of Thos. Clemence and —— Digby, for her life; then to my son, John Emberson, and his heirs for ever. To Mary, wife of John Rust, of Owting, £3. To Jane Rolfe, of Springfield, my dau., £5. To Mary Tabor, my dau., £10. Residue of my goods to my sd. wife for the maintenance and education of my 3 children, Judith, Thomas and Rebecca. My sd. wife to be exix. Witnesses:—Hen. Oborne, Thos. Freeman, Edw. Glascocke. Proved 31 May, 1706.

Mead 256.

17 Sept., 1718. I, Matthew Emerson, of Vange in Co. Essex, gent. Whereas I have lately sold to John Coleman, of Rumford, in Co. Essex, peruke-maker, my farme and lands called Luncies, situate in the several parishes of Vange, Basildon, Pitsey and Nevendon, in Co. Essex, containing 85 a., now in the occupation of Wm. Fulsher, for £600. I now appoint Mary Emerson, my wife, and James Stillenan, my bro.-in-law, Trustees, and give them full power to perform the said bargain with the said John Coleman. Eliz. Highland, widow, to be paid the money due to her upon a mortgage of the said land. My said Trustees to

sell my Salting Marsh lying in Canvy Island, in the said county, cont. 14 acres. I make my said wife and bro.-in-law exors. Witnesses:—Chas. Freman, sen., Chas. Freman, jun., Sarah Fillpot, Thos. Silvester. Proved 17 Oct., 1718.

ARCHDEACONRY OF COLCHESTER.

285 Roote.

10 July, 1584. I, David Emerson, the elder, of West Bargholte, in Co. Essex, yeoman. To my son Thomas Emersun, 2 silver spoons, etc. To every one of the children of my dau. Margaret, 3s. 4d. To Margery, my dau., 1 silver spoon. To the 2 children of my dau. Margery, 6s. 8d. To John Maye, my brother's son, 1 cow, immediately after the decease of Jone, my wife. Residue of goods to my wife, whom I make exix. I make Davy Emison, and Thomas Emerson, my sons, overseers. To Ricd. and Robt. Kirbye, sons of my son Kirbye, a lamb each. Witnesses:—William Jolly, Richard Mason, the elder, and Ric. Mason, the younger. [Date of probate not given.]

ARCH. ESSEX. REGISTERED WILLS.

Stephen 331.

In the month of March, 1600, Richard Emerson, of Mundon, in Co. Essex, made his will nuncupative as follows:—To his son Edward, £20. To his daus. Judith and Elizabeth, £20 each, at their ages of 21. To his daus. Helen and Anne, £10 each, to be paid at Michaelmas, 1603. The rest of his goods to his wife, Judith Emerson, whom he made sole executrix. Proved 11 Nov., 1601.

Hills 190.

28 July, 1677. I, John Emerson, of Great Wakering, in Co. Essex. To my son-in-law, Eustace Kinett, the bed over the buttery, etc. To my kinsman, William Emerson, whom I make executor, I give £10 for the bringing up of John Justice. To Sarah Barnard, dau. of Robert Barnard, of Much Lees, in Essex, £10. To my Godchild, Alice Greene, 5s. The rest of my goods to be divided between my executor and my kinsman, John Emerson, and my kinswoman, Sarah Emerson. Witnesses: Micah Stane, Mary Greene, John Deekes. Proved at Chelmesford, 19 July, 1678.

9 Atterbury.

1 April, 1681. John Emerson, of the parish of Pitsey, in Co. Essex, late deceased, labourer, made his will nuncupative. To be bur. in the Churchyard of Pitsey. I give all my goods to Mary Charter, spinster, of the parish of Corringham, in Co. Essex, my intended wife, and I make her sole executrix. Witnesses:—Richard Glascock, Joseph Dennis, Lydia Glascock.

On the 11th day of April, 1681, administration of the goods of the said John Emerson was granted to the said Mary Charter.

156b Luck.

10 June, 1721. I, Samuel Emson, of Bradwell juxta Mare, in Co. Essex, yeoman. To my son Samuel, all my lands and tenements in Bradwell. To my son John, £50, to be paid to him at his age of 21. To my granddau. Elizabeth Relton, £20 at her age of 21. To the said John, the bed "on the Hall Chamber," and the bed "on Parlour Chamber." The residue of all my goods to the said Samuel on condition that he look after the said John, giving him sufficient learning for "Comon Bussiness," and I make the said Samuel exor. Witnesses:—Richard Browne, Thos. Relton, Jsc. Roberts. Proved 29 December, 1731.

COMMISSARY COURT OF LONDON (ESSEX AND HERTS).

Original Wills.

1 Feb., 1533. I, William Emerson, of the parish of Stondon, in Co. "Harfoth." To be buried before the altar of St. James, in the parish Church of Stondon. The residue of my goods to Mary, my wife; also my lands and tenements in Stondon or elsewhere to her for her life, "she for to bryng hupe my son Rychard" till his age of 21 years, when she shall give him 40s. After the death of the said Mary, I give my lands to the said Richard and his heirs; for default of heirs, they shall go to Alice, my sister, and her heirs, according to the will of my father. [Name not given.] I make Mary, my wife, executrix, and Thomas Newes, gent., and Sir John Perrett, priest and vicar of Northmymys. Witnesses:—Ric. Langen, Wm. Grene, John Walter and Thos. Studlay. P. me Willm. Emerson. Proved 24 March, 1533.

20 Nov., 1610. Annis Emson, late of Eastwood, did speake these words following:—"Goodman Dawson, all my trust is in yow, And I have bene chargeable unto yow, And therefore those goods wch I have I praye yow take in recompence of the paynes and Chardges wch. yow have bene at wth. me. Witnesses:—Annis . . . John Dawson. John Dason. [Date of probate not given.]

7 Nov., 1620. I, Robert Emberson, of Stortford, in Co. Hertford, currier, "being aged and sickly." I give to Susan, my wife, all my lands in Stortford, called Muggells Dale, containing about 12 acres, near a field called Woodfeild, to hold for her life, with remainder after her death to Thomas Emberson, my eldest son, and his heirs for ever. I give her also the messuage in Stortford wherein I now dwell for the term of 50 years; afterwards, the same to go to Margaret, my dau., now the wife of Thomas Browne, of Sowthwarke, for 50 years; after her decease, I give the same to James Browne, son of my said dau. Margaret, for all the term of years then to come. The residue of my goods to the said Susan for her life, and after her death to my 4 children, Thomas, John, Anne and Margaret. My said wife to be executrix. Witnesses:—Thos. Jennynges, Thos. Barnarde. The mke. of Robert Emberson. Proved at Stortford 23 January, 1620—1.

13 June, 1634. I, John Emson, of Hedingham Syble, in Co. Essex, yeoman. I give to Rose, my wife, the messuage in Hedingham wherein I dwell, with all the customary lands thereto belonging, held of the manors of Bloys and Wethersfeild, for 5 years, for the bringing up of my children, she to take reasonable wood for her "fireboote and burning" only, and not to sell any of the said premises. When the said term of 5 years has expired, I give the same to John Emson, my son, and to his heirs for ever, my field, parcel of the premises, late parcel of a field or close called Lamborne field, adjoining my land called Omans, only excepted. The said John to pay to my son, Jeremy Emson, the sum of £25 at his age of 22; if he refuse, I give the said premises above excepted to the said Jeremy and his heirs for ever. My said John shall further pay £5 each to my daus. Margerye and Rose Emson, at their respective ages of 26 and 27 years. I give to Daniell Emson, my son, the 2 closes or crofts of Land called Omans, and the parcel of Lamborne field adjoining Omans, to hold to him and his heirs for ever; he to enter thereupon at his age of 14 years. If the said Daniel die without heirs, I give the said premises to John, my son, and his heirs for ever. I give to Margery, my dau., £10 16s. 0d. owing to me by Edward Alliston, of Great Maplested, and John Fookes, of Halsted. Also to Rose, my dau., £10 8s. 0d. owing to me by Wm. Holgate, of Castle Hedingham To Frances, my dau., wife of Thos. Hurrell, 10s. To the said Margery, a brass pot, which was my sister Sansoms. To my grandchild, Frances Hurrell, dau. of Thos. Hurrell, 10s., at her age of 8 years. The rest of my goods to my said wife, whom I make executrix. Wm. Holgate and Stephen Bond to be supervisors, and Mr. John Lagden, of Wethersfield, to take charge of £10 for my son Jeremy. Witnesses:—John Fitch, Thos. Gornell(?), Henry Clerke. The marke of John Emson. Proved at Braintree, 12 July, 1634.

2 Feb., 1719. I, James Emeson, the elder, of Bardfield Saling als. Little Saling, in Co. Essex, yeoman. I give to Anne Emeson my wife, my parcel of freehold land, meadow, pasture and wood-ground lying in Ashdon, in Co. Essex, in the tenure of Joseph Boutell and myself, for her natural life if she remain a widow; after her decease or marriage I give the same to my eldest son, James Emeson, and his heirs for ever, he to pay to my 2 younger sons, Thomas Emeson and Joseph Emeson, £10 each, and to my 4 daurs., Anne, Elizabeth, Esther and Mary Emeson, £10 each, within 6 months after my said wife's decease or marriage. If any of my said children be then under the age of 21, my said son James shall pay them interest on the said sums, and give them the said sum at their lawful ages. All the residue of my goods to my said wife, whom I make sole executrix. I make my brother-in-law, Thomas Sewell, overseer. Witnesses:—John Owers, Josias Maidwell, Jo. Foster. James Emeson. Proved at Dunmowe Magna, 21 Feb., 1720. [Endorsed.] The said Anne Emerson, relict of the said James Emerson, declared that she was a Dissenter, commonly called a Quaker.

ARCHDEACONRY OF ESSEX.

Admon. Act Book III. Fo. 177b, 1595.

On the 24th day of October, 1595, admon. of the goods, etc., of Thomas Emerson, late of Romford, in Co. Essex, was granted to Joan, his relict.

ARCH. OF MIDDLESEX (ESSEX AND HERTS).

92 Sewell, 1681.

5 Mar., 1680. I, Richard Emberson, of Felsted, in Co. Essex, yeoman. I leave all my lands, both freehold and copyhold in Felsted and Sible Hedingham, in Co. Essex, to my friend and neighbour, Martin Carter, of Felsted, gent., desiring him to sell the same to the best advantage, and after paying my debts, to discharge the following legacies:—To my kinswoman, Anne Walker, who lives with me, £80. To her sister, Elizabeth Walker, £50. To her bro., Thomas Walker, £20. To her bro., John Walker, £10, to apprentice him to a good trade; the said money to be paid to his uncle, William Walker. To Benjamin Walker, another brother of the said Anne, £20. To my kinswoman, Elizabeth Harvy, who lives with me, £20. To my sister,

Katherine Emberson, and to my kinsman, Thomas Byatt, son of Thomas Byatt, my nephew, deceased, 2s. 6d. each. To Edward, Henry and Richard, brothers of the said Thomas, 1s. I make my friend and kinsman, Mr. John Rowland, of Sible Hedingham, tanner, sole exor. Witnesses:—John Clarke, John Edwards, Samuel Read, Edmond Gall, John Laplove. The marke of Richard Emberson. Proved at Chelmsford 7 March, 1681.

5 Sanney, 1691.

26 Feb., 1691. I, John Emerson, of Felsted, in Co. Essex, Chirurgeon and Barber. I give to my mother Elizabeth, now the wife of Richard Wood, of Fairstead, in Co. Essex, an annuity of 40s. To my eldest bro., William Emerson, £20. To Mary, wife of George Holford, of Danbury, £5. To Lydia, dau. of Abraham Belcham, of Stratford, near London, £5, at her age of 21. To Sarah Bradshaw, dau. of John Bradshaw, and Sarah, his wife, £10. To my bro. James Emberson, and to Lydia, my sister, wife of Thomas Saffold, whom I make exors., the messuage wherein I now dwell in Felstead, with the apartment inhabited by John Chalk, for their lives, with remainder to the eldest son or heir male of my bro. William abovenamed; for default, to the eldest son of my said bro. James; for default, to Peter Eyres, son of Peter Eyres and Mary, his wife, now dwelling in Fleet-street, London, and to his heirs for ever. To my sister, Sarah Painter, wife of Jesse Painter, of Fleet-street, London, £5. The rest of my goods to my said exors., together with a bond and deed of mortgage dated 6 March, 1689, from John Stokes to me. Witnesses:—Abraham Leader, John Eve, Jo. Bernard. John Emerson. Proved 29 May, 1691.

COMM. LONDON (ESSEX AND HERTS).

1626—28; Fo. 91.

. . . Emerson, widow, of Black Notley. Son: John.

8 April, 1661. Admon. of goods of John Emerson, of White Notley, granted to Eliz. Emerson the relict.

Dunmowe, 26 Aug., 1661.

Marriage licence between Edward Cornell, of Bockinge, widower, and Elizabeth Emberson, of Notley, widow, to be solemnized in the Church of Raine, Notley, or Fairsted.

1663—66.

Admon. of goods of John Emerson, of White Notley, granted to Elizabeth, his relict. On fo. 18, described as Eliz. Cornell, alias Emerson, wife of Edward Cornell.

Admon. of goods of Simon Emerson, of Harwich, granted to William Hubbert, of Kelvedon.

ARCH. COLCHESTER.

Lawrence 37.

4 Mar., 1593. I, Abraham Eversonne, of the parish of St. Botolph's, in the town of Colchester, Co. Essex, shoemaker. To be bur. in the Churchyard of the parish of St. Giles, Colchester. To my son, Raynold Eversonne, my house in the said par. of St. Giles, wherein William Cotten dwells; also my house there wherein Symon Munson dwells, to him and his heirs for ever. If the said Raynold die, his eldest son Richard to have the house wherein Simon Munson dwells. To Joan, my dau., the wife of Richard Poyner, the house in the par. of St. Botolphs, wherein the said Richard lives, and to her heirs for ever. When the said Joan dies, the said house to remain first to Richard Poyner, her son, and his heirs for ever; if he die without issue, then to all her other children successively, according to the "lawdable Custom of this antient borough and Towne of Colchester." To William Smith, the husband of Cateren, my dau., the house in St. Giles' parish called Ventners, wherein Alexander Rayner lives, to hold for his life. After his decease, I give the same to John Smith, son of the said William and Cateren; if he die without issue, then to their other children. To my said 2 daus. I give the house in St. Botolph's parish wherein Rich. Loggin, pewterer, lives, and to their heirs. My said son Raynold and my dau. Joan to be executors. John Barnard, weaver, and Wm. Smith, my son-in-law, to be supervisors. Witnesses:—John Barnard, Edward Pudnye. Abraham Everson, his marke. [Date of probate not given.]

Warde 20.

8 May, 1585. I, Philallego Emson, of the parish of Wevenho, in Co. Essex, labourer. To be bur. in Ingatestone Churchyard. (Legacies to the poor of Ingatestone, Wevenho and Fingringho) to be paid out of the money which Mrs. Sherpe, of Fingringho, owes me. To Mother Gaunte, my keeper, 2s. To Mother Broune, my other keeper, 2s. To John Weddell, 2s. 6d., for writing my will. To good wiss mondes, my clocke. To Nic. Bullefonte, 2s. The rest of my goods to Margery, my wife, whom I make sole executrix. John Oddy to be supervisor. Witnesses:—Nic. Fence, John Woddell, Nic. Bullefounte and Thos. Skyfe. [Date of probate not given.]

Warde 41.

12 Nov., 1585. I, Margery Emsone, widow, dwelling in Wevenho, in Co. Essex. To be bur. in the Church yard of Wevenho. To Frances Stryng, my dau., my bed. To Rose, my dau., a bed. To Elizabeth, my dau., another bed, and "my kettell that I hade when I was a mayde." I make my kinsman, Robard Anger, dwelling in Much Horsle in Essex, my exor., and Wm. Stryng, my son-in-law, my supervisor. Witnesses:—William Allen, John Myller. [Date of probate not given.]

Bacon 115.

2 May, 1609. I, Reynold Eversun, of the par. of St. Giles, in Colchester, in Co. Essex, shoemaker. To be buried in the Churchyard of St. Giles. I give to Frances, my wife, my lands and tenements in the said par. of St. Giles for her life. I will that the new house framed and set up at the back of the house wherein I now dwell shall be finished as soon as possible at her costs and charges. After the death of the said Frances, I will that my capital messuage wherein John Smythe, weaver, and John Stansbye dwell, shall remain to Abraham Everson, my son, and to his heirs for ever; he paying yearly to Richard Eversun, my son, 24s. If the said Abraham die without issue, then the said premises to remain to my next heir. To Jacob Everson, my son, part of the house wherein I dwell, and the part wherein Robert Newman, to him and his heirs for ever. To Eliz., my dau., wife of Aron Poykyn, the house wherein Robert Crow dwells for her life; after her death, to William Poykyn, her son, and to his heirs. To Frances Everson, my dau., the house at the back newly built, to hold to her and her heirs for ever. To my son, Richard Everson, all my clothes. To the poor of St. Giles, 3 dozen of bread to be given to them at my burial. The residue of my goods to my wife, whom I make exor., together with William Smyth, my kinsman. Witness:—William Cocke, Rob. Crowe. Reynard Everson, his marke. [Date of Probate not given.]

Cole 47.

1 May, 1619. I, Frances Eversone, of Colchester, in Co. Essex, widow. To my son, Richard Eversone, 5s., and "one Qualliver, with sworde, hed peece and other furniture thereto belonginge." To Eliz., my dau., wife of Aron Poykyn, and to Frances, my dau., wife of Thomas Swarton, all my clothes. To Jacob Eversone, my son, 1 table, etc., and I make him sole executor. My well beloved brother-in-law, Thomas Culpack, of Colchester, weaver, to be supervisor. Witnesses:—P. Rebau, Thos. Pilbrowgh, Thos. Culpack. Signum predict—ffrancisce Eversone [*sic*]. Proved at Colchester, 1 Feb., 1619—20.

ARCH. ESSEX.

1615; No. 19.

24 March, 1614. I, Richard Emsoun, of Rochford, in Co. Essex, glover. To my son Richard, 1 sheep. To my son, John Emsoun, my house and land in Wedersfilde, called Farifilde, containing 11 acres, to him and his heirs for ever. To my dau., Anna Emsoun, 1 tenement in the par. of Rochford called "Sormons a core" (acre), containing about 1 a., to her and her heirs for ever. If my son Richard die before his age of 21, my said dau. Anna to have my house and land in the par of Estwoode, called Verales, cont. about 20 a., to her and her heirs for ever. To my 2 daus., Mary and Martha, and to Julian, my wife, 40 quarters of malt and barley. My said wife to be exor. Witnesses:—W. F. Ellerton, Barnaby Ouldee, Edw. Hisheton, Peter Cleare. Richard Emsoun, his marke. Proved at Rayleigh, 5 Ap., 1615.

ARCH. MIDD.

Brown 256.

11 April, 1630. I, John Emson, of Fynchingfeild, in Co. Essex, husbandman. To Elizabeth, my wife, the messuage wherein I dwell in Finchingfield, with all the lands both free and copy thereto belonging, for her life; after her decease, to my child unborn if a son; if a dau., then to the said dau. and to my other 3 daus., Anne, Elizabeth and Mary Emson, to them and their heirs for ever. Also to my said 3 daus. my customary tenement in Shalford wherein —— Starke dwells; also my tenement in Great Bardfeild both free and copy called Patridges, to enter upon the same at their respective ages of 21. My said wife to be executrix. Witnesses:—Thos. Livermore, Thos. Davie, Hen. Clarke. The mark of the testator. Proved 21 May, 1630.

Cole 86.

12 Aug., 1635. I, John Emberson, of Rayne, in Co. Essex. I give all my goods to Jane, my wife, whom I make sole executrix, for her maintenance and the bringing up of my children (not named). I appoint Ralph Josceline and Josias Smith, overseers. Witnesses:—Edw. Symons, Ralphe Josseline, Josias Smyth, Peter Josslin. John Embeson. Proved 6th April, 1636.

COLE 135.

16 May, 1613. I, John Emberson, of High Roothinge, in Co. Essex, husbandman. To be bur. in the parish of High Roothinge. To Venifred, my wife, the goods I have in the said parish, for her life; if she die or marry again, the same to be divided between Benitt Clere, my wife's son, and Prudence Choppin, my wife's daur., provided that the said Benitt give to the said Prudence £5. I make my said wife sole executrix. Witnesses:—Dennys Gooddaye, Robert Raymond. John Emberson, his signe. Proved at Dunmowe 3 Dec., 1613.

DEAN 195.

1 Mar., 1625. I, Richard Emberson, of Felsted, in Co. Essex, yeoman. To Mr. Samuel Wharton, Vicar of Felsted, a piece of gold worth 20s. I will that Robert Chote, of Stebbinge, in Co. Essex, yeoman, have the letting of all my lands and tenements in Felsted, Stebbinge and Little Dunmow alias Dunmow Priory, until my son Richard shall accomplish his age of 21, for the bringing up of my said son, and of my 3 daus., Susanna, Katherin and Rebeca. I give to my said son Richard and his heirs for ever all my copyhold lands and tenements in Felsted called Colemans, at his age of 21, on condition that he pay to Susanna Emberson, my dau., £110 at her age of 20; to my dau. Katherine, £100 at her age of 18; and to my dau. Rebecca, £100 at her age of 18. If the said Richard die before his age of 21, the said premises to go to my 4 daus., "Saray," Susanna, Katherine and Rebecca, and their heirs for ever. All the rest of my goods to my said daur., "Saray" Emberson, to be paid to her at her age of 16; the said Robt. Chote to be her guardian in the meantime. The said Robert Chote to be executor. Richer. Embersonn. Witnesses:—Robte. Levitt, Raphe Mott. Proved at Stebbinge, in Co. Essex, on Tuesday, the 4th day of April, 1626.

1676—8; 15.

4 May, 1672. I, William Emberson, of Felsted, in Co. Essex, yeoman. To my son William Emberson, all my apparell, and the money he owes me. To my dau. Lidia, the wife of Thomas Saffold, 5s. I remit to Abraham Belcham, my son-in-law, £7 which he owes me, and I give to Anne his wife, my dau., 5s. Whereas Thomas Woollmore, of Writtle, in. Co. Essex, is bound to me in an obligation of £10 for the payment of £5: I will the said £5 be paid to Elizabeth, my wife, to dispose of as follows:—20s. thereof to my dau. Elizabeth, now the wife of the said Thomas Woollmore; 20s. to the children of the said Elizabeth and Thomas; and £3 to my dau. Marie, now the wife of Peter ——. To my son John Emberson, 5s. To my son James Emberson, £20 at his age of 21. To my dau. Sarah Emberson, £20 at her age of 21. The residue of my goods to my said wife, whom I make sole executrix; if she die before the end of the term of years contained in my indenture of lease which I hold of Lady Honeywood of the messuage and lands wherein I now dwell, then my said sons William and James to have the benefit of the remaining term of years. William Embersonn. Witnesses:—John Edwards, Elizabeth Barnard, John Barnard. Proved at Chelmsford, 27 Mar. 1677, by Eliz., the relict.

ARCHDEACONRY OF LONDON.

NUNCUPATIVE WILL.

Memorandum that about the 7th day of July, 1625, Raphe Emerson, of the parish of the Holy Trinity the Less, London, tailor, being asked by Anne* Johnson, to whom he wished to give his estate, answered: "I give all that I have to you," meaning the said Anne. Then she asked him again whether he would not give something to his kindred, and he said, and he replied that he would give to his kinsman, George Emerson, his "workingday Cloke and suit," and to Elizabeth Emerson, wife of George Emerson, carpenter, a band and a gown; and to his sister Anne Fludd, a skirt. This he said in the hearing of the said George and Elizabeth. * On the 29th August, 1625, admon. with will was granted to Joan Johnson, the principal legatee.

7 Novr., 1633. I, Ferdinand Emerson, of Holborn, in Co. Midd., cutler. Whereas Charles and Thomas Cornwallys, Esqrs., stand bound to Charles Dallison, Esq., and Robert Morse, gent., in the sum of £200 for the payment of £108, for the benefit of me, the said Ferdinand: I now will that £54, parcel thereof, be paid to Joan, my wife, for the maintenance and education of my 2 children, John and Mary; and the residue to Richard Foster, Esq., to the intents already expressed to him. The residue of my goods to Joan, my wife, whom I make executrix. Witnesses:—Robert Morse, Henry Southwell, John Atkinson. Proved 3 December, 1633, by the relict.

13 April, 1639. I, John Emmerson, of London, yeoman. To my father [not named], a cloak. To my brother, William E., clothes, etc. To my brother, George E., my sword, clothes, etc. To my cousin, John Rumfett, a cloak, etc. To my cousin, William Hodgshon, of London, books, etc. To my mother, Margery Trunke, my linen. All the rest of my goods to my said cousin, William Hodshon, whom I make sole executor. To Anne Backe, a ring. Witnesses:—John Rumfett, Joseph Abraham, servant to John Warner, Pub. Not. Proved 20 April, 1639. Parish of "Omnium Sanctorum in muro."

ARCHDEACONRY OF MIDDLESEX.

26 Aug., 1714. I, Anne Emmerson, of the par. of St. Paul, Covent Garden, late of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, in Co. Midd., widow. To my sister, Anne Emmerson, £10. To my cousin, Katherine Johnson, £5. To my cousin, Jane Stanton, eldest dau. of my late cousin, Jane Staunton, of Epsom, £5, and £5 to be distributed amongst her other children. To my cousin Robert George and his wife, and his son and daur., and son-in-law, and to his wife's mother, and to my cousin, Anne Christy and her husband and 2 sons, and her dau. and son-in-law, each of them a ring worth 20s. To each of my 4 tenants in Church Lane, a ring. I make my son-in-law, Thomas Barlow, and my said cousins, Robert George and Anne Christy, executors. I give my messuages in Church Lane or elsewhere in the par. of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, in Co. Midd., to my grandson, Richard Barlow, and his heirs for ever; if he die without heirs, the said premises to go to my said cousins Rob. George and Anne Christy and their heirs. The rest of my goods to my said grandson, Richard Barlow. Witnesses:—Sarah Ravis, Mary Crew, Jno. Lane. Proved 23 June, 1725.

ARCH. BERKS.

REGISTERED WILLS.

16 Mar., 1594. I, Thomas Emerson, of Old Windsor, in Co. Berks, yeoman. To Jacamin[nim] Stevens, my mother, the house wherein she now dwells, with 8 a. of arable land and 8 a. of meadow belonging to the house wherein I now dwell, with a close called Hethers To Elizabeth, my wife, the lease of the house wherein I now dwell, and the lease I hold of Mr. Martin; if she die before the latter (lease) expires, the same to go to my son, Thomas E. My wife to have the benefit of all my fee-simple land until my son comes to the age of 21; then I give it to him and his heirs; for default, then to my wife and her heirs for ever. Residue of goods to said wife and son, whom I make exors. Mr. John Walther and Mr. Robt. Fenne to be overseers. Witnesses:—John Havergill, John Tile. Proved 7 July, 1596, by the relict.

ADMON. ACT BOOK IV.; F. 21.

On the 13th day of March, 1668, letters of administration of the goods, etc., of Giles Emerson, of Abingdon, cutler, were granted to Anne Emerson his relict.

ARCH. BUCKS.

REGISTER FOR 1692—3; No. 85.

17 Sept., 1692. I, Justin Emerson, of Water Eaton, in the par. of Bletchley, in Co. Bucks, widow, "being taken suddenly of a violent distemper that may prove my death by what Appeares." I give all my goods to my brother-in-law, John Hobbs, of Great Lynford, to pay my debts; if there be any overplus, he to distribute the same amongst my poor children [not named]. I make the said John Hobbs my sole executor. Witnesses:—Rebeckah Astin, Martha Browne, and Margt. Lankest r. Proved 17 Oct., 1692.

REGISTER FOR 1722; No. 3.

Feb. 4, 172½. I, George Emarson, of Great Brickhill, in the Archdeaconry of Bucks. I give to my wife, Elizabeth Emarson, all my goods and chattels, bills, bonds, etc. "To my three Godsons and one Goddaughter of my Brothers Emarsons children," 10s. each. To Jonathan, son of Richard Lawson, 5s. The marke of George Emerson. Witnesses:—Henry Cowley, Sarah Lawson, Richard Lawson. Proved 6th April, 1722.

ADMON. ACT BOOK, 1712—1812.

On the 17th day of May, 1734, admon. of the goods of Joane Emmerson, late of Bletchley, deceased, granted to Thomas Emmerson, her husband. No inventory exhibited.

REGISTER FOR 1742; No. 120.

24 April, 1742. I, John Emerson, of Bletchley, in Co. Bucks, yeoman. I give to my son, Thomas Emerson, and his heirs for ever, my 2 freehold enclosed closes, one being arable and the other sword ground lying in the field and parish of Bletchley, on condition that he pay to my son-in-law, Joseph Holdham, of Bletchley, butcher, £20 within 12 months after my death; to my son, Daniel Emerson, £30 within 2 years after my death; to my daur., Mary Emerson, £25 within 3 years; to my son, John Emerson, £10; to my grandson, Thomas Holdham, and to my granddaur., Justina Holdham, 50s. each. If my said son Thomas make default, the said closes to go to the said legatees. The said Thomas shall also pay out of the said closes 50s. to my grandson, Thomas Emerson (his son), within 4 years after my death. The rest of my goods I

give to Lydia, my wife, and to John, my son, whom I make executors. Witnesses:—Thomas Emerson, William Allen, Ben Etheridge. Proved 25 Oct., 1742, by the said exors.

ROCHESTER WILLS.

283, xx.

10 July, 1611. John Emerson, the elder, of Snodland, in Co. Kent weaver. To be bur. in the Churchyard of Snodland. I give to Mildred, my wife, the house wherein I now dwell for her life; and after her decease I give the same with the garden plot thereto belonging to my 2 daurs., Mildred Edmet and Emme Grynsted, to be divided between them. After the decease of the said Mildred Edmet, her share to go to Abraham Edmet, her son. My house at Igtham to be sold to pay my debts. I make my said wife executrix. Witnesses:—Abraham Coker, Whetenhall Tilghman. Proved 15 Nov., 1611.

ADMON. ACT BOOKS.

1696—1708; P. 151.

28 Dec., 1703. Commission issued to Mary Emerson, widow and relict of George Emerson, late of the par. of Strood, in Co. Kent, but who died in the Royal Ship the Sterling Castle, to admr., etc.

P. 239.

13 Nov., 1707. Commission to Anne Emerson, relict of Philip E., late of Chatham, in Co. Kent, but who died in the ship the "Associacion," to admr., etc.

1719—1747; P. —.

22 Feb., 1725. Commission to Elizabeth Emberson, widow and relict of William Emberson, late of par. of Wilmington, in Co. Kent, to administer, etc.

CONSISTORY OF ROCHESTER.

8 Oct., 1727. I, Mary Emerson, of Strood, in Co. Kent, widow. I give to my son, John Emerson, my bed, etc. To my dau., Eliz. Casselton (whom I make sole executrix), the rest of my goods. To my daurs., Mary Page and Sarah Skinner, 1s. each. Tho. Fowler, E. Shaw, Tho. Dolbin. Proved at Rochester 24th November, 1727.

ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL.

1659—1671; Fo. 184.

On the 3rd day of October, 1665, John Emson, late of Norton Folgate, in Co. Midd., bachelor, made his will nuncupative. I give to Francis Purifie alias Purifoye (now at sea), all my estate both real and personal, and I make him my exor. These words were spoken in the presence of Sarah Browne alias Emson, sister of the said John Emson. Proved 23 January, 1665—[66], by the exor.

1632—1642; Fo. 73.

25 Oct., 1636. I, Thomas Emerson, of the par. of St. Andrew, in Holborn, in Co. Midd. To Eliz. Reeve, my best bed, etc.; also the lease of the house wherein I now dwell, situate in Rose and Crowne Alley, near Grais Inn Lane, for 5 years; the reversion thereof being to my faithful friend, John Serjeant, of Holborn, London, tailor. Legacies to Mr. Philip Osborne, Grace, wife of the said John Serjeant. Thos. Serjeant, bro. of the said John S., Margaret Serjeant, widow (one of my wife's gowns); to Grace Palmer, wife of Francis Palmer, of Graise Inne lane, Innholder; Margaret Duddalle, wife of Peter Duddalle, and Hall Atkins. To my Aunt Elen and to my Aunt Wilson, my wife's clothes. To the children of my brethern and sisters in Lancashire, 2s. 6d. each. To my brothers, Richard and Christopher Emerson, and to my sister Mary, 5s. each. To my Godson, Thomas Emerson, 5s. To Goodwife Hare, one of my wife's smocks. All the rest of my goods to the said John Serjeant, whom, with the said Francis Palmer, I make exors. Witnesses:—William Griffyn, Ric. Dowe, John Burges. Proved 29 Oct., 1636.

DEAN AND CHAPTER OF ST. PAUL'S.

17 June, 1731. I, Thomas Emerson, of the par. of Navestock, in Co. Essex, yeoman. I give to my wife Mary all my goods and personal estate whatsoever, and I make her sole executrix. Witnesses:—John Bristow, Sara Magn [*sic*], Eliz. Bristow. Proved 22 June, 1731, by the relict.

ARCH. SURREY.

HEATS 190.

[Undated.] I, John Emenson, desire to be buried in Lambeth Churchyard. To Robert Denton, a mattress. To Annes Clerke, my keeper, and to Goodwife Roger, my keeper, clothes. William Saddeler in Westminster to have my chest "for the duty that is betwyxt hym and me." Master Houlte to have [blank]. To Swalowe's wife, 20d., and to Steely's wife, in totell street, 3s. Legacies to James Shen, Thomas Morden and Matthew Aderton, of Wandysworthe. Masses to be said in the Churches of Lambeth and Wandsworth. To my dau. Sithe Emenson, a coffer that her mother gave her, etc. I make Richard Emonson and William Boulton exors. Witnesses:—Denton, Crilie Roger. Proved 16 December, 1536.

19 Nov., 1724. I, George Emmerson, of the par. of St. Saviours, in Co. Surrey, victualler. "I give to my Relations of what Denomination soever," 1s. each if they shall think fit to demand it. All the rest of my goods, etc., to my wife Elizabeth, whom I make sole executrix. George Emmerson, his mark. Witnesses:—Wm. Hayle, Jos. Trott, Francis Keeble, Sam. Clark. Proved 5 Jan., 1725.

29 April, 1728. I, Henry Emerson, of the par. of St. George the Martyr, in Southwark, in Co. Surrey, victualler. I give to "each and every person that is any wise related unto me the sume of one shilling in full of all demands and pretences whatsoever out of my estate real and personal." The residue of my goods to my wife Martha so long as she remain my widow; if she marry again I leave the same to my kinswoman, Marth [*sic*] Wynn. My said wife to be sole exor. Witnesses:—Joseph Moore, Richard Higgs, Sam. Kerk. Proved 7 April, 1731, by the relict.

COMM. SURREY.

ADMON.

5 January, 1712. There issued a Commission to Elizabeth Emmerson, widow, relict of Ralph Emmerson, late of the parish of St. Mary Magdalene, in Co. Surrey, to admr. the goods, etc., of deceased.

ARCH. OXFORD.

ADMONS.

On the 7th day of Nov., 1644, letters of administration were granted to Avice Bowringe, widow, sister of the said Adriana Emerson of the City of Oxford, during the minority of the children of the said Adriana.

COMM. COURT OF LONDON (ESSEX AND HERTS).

1663—66. Elizabeth Emerson alias Cornell, administratrix. [This is marked through as above, and is evidently a mistake for John, who appears on the other side of the page.]

9 Dec., 1671. Letters of administration were granted to Thomas Emerson, son of Susan Emerson, late of Vange, in Co. Essex, widow.

MISSING WILLS (ARCH. LONDON).

Emerson, Matthew, 24 March, 1592—3. Emerson, Leonard, Sept., 1628.

CONSISTORY ROCHESTER.

Emerson, Wm., Grinwch., 1612—17; 286. [Nothing to be found either Original or Registered.]

RICHMOND WILLS.

EASTERN DEANERIES.

11 April, 1571. I, John Emmerson, Curate of Earyholme. I will that Richard Warde have the half oxgang of land that John Dobson let to me, to help to bring him up at the school; and the whole oxgang of land of John Warde, if his brothers and sisters be content. Agnes Warde to have my best chest, etc. To Laurence Warde, Jane Ward, Edward Warde and Marie Warde, a silver spoon each. The residue of my goods to the said Laurence, Jane, Agnes, Edward and Richard Warde, whom I make executors. Debts owing to me:—First, Robert Emmersoun, £10; Henry Emmersoun, 2s.; Ric. Northe, 8s. 4d.; the wife of Johnson the elder, 12d.; the wife of Johnson, the younger, 10d.; William Burton, 10d.; the neighbours of Eariholme at Whitsunday for tithes, £8; Thos. Foxcroft, of Brandon, 60s. Debts that I owe:—To my sister's children, to wit, Edward, Jane, Agnes, Mary and Richard Ward, £27; to William Burnet, 6s. 8d.; to Cuthbert Wytham, 15s. Proved 21 Novr., 1571. Inventory amounts to £25 2s. 0d.

17 June, 1678. I, Ann Emerson, of Gilling, in Co. York, widow. To my son and heir, John Emerson, of Gilling, tailor, all my lands, tenements and writings whatsoever, to him and his heirs for ever. The said John to be executor. Witnesses:—William Nicholls, William Etherington, Robt. Etherington, George Kay. Proved at Richmond, 17 March, 1682.

Bond dated 17 March, 1682, whereby John Emerson, of Gilling, in Co. York, tailor, by Humphrey Grisedaile, of Richmond, cordwinder, his surety, is bound in the sum of £40 to perform the will of the said Anne Emerson.

24 Jany., 1721. I, Thomas Emerson, of Richmond, in Co. York, yeoman. I give to my son George, £5, to put him to a trade, and £5 when he comes of age. To my dau. Elizabeth, £10. To my dau. Margaret, £10. To Margaret, my wife, all my real personal estate, and I make her sole executrix. Thomas Emerson. Witnesses:—Richard Robinson, Ann Simpson, Mary Maugham. Proved 21 Feb., 1721 Inventory amounts to £28 10s. 0d.

Bond dated 21 Feb., 1721, whereby Margaret Emerson, of Richmond, widow, by Ric. Robinson, of Skeeby, in Co. York, yeoman, her surety, is bound in the sum of £100 to perform the will of the said Thomas Emerson.

WESTERN DEANERIES.

Bond dated 23 Aug., 1632, whereby Margaret Emerson, the daur., and Thomas Emerson, the son, administrators of

the goods of Lancelot Emmerson, their father, together with Thomas Harser (?) and Christopher Lowrance, of Clifton, within the Deanery of Copeland, their sureties, are bound in the sum of £26 to administer the goods of the said Lancelot Emerson, of the parish of Workinton, their late father, deceased. [There is no will in this case, and the inventory is missing.]

Bond dated 30 May, 1636, whereby Margaret Emberson, of Clifton Magna, in Co. Cumberland, widow, by Henry Phillipson, and John Thompson of the same, husbandmen, her sureties, is bound in the sum of £50 to administer the goods of Robert Emberson, late of Great Clifton, deceased. [It is not stated whether the said Rob. was the husband of the said Margaret.] Inventory, drawn up 24th Oct., 1635, amounts to £20 19s. 8d. Debts owing to him, 5s. 6d. Debts owing by him, £6 11s. 8d.

Bond dated 26th Oct., 1675, whereby Thomas Sanderson, of Egremond, yeoman, by James Bragg and Henry Walker, both of Egremond, yeomen, his sureties, is bound in the sum of £20 to make a true inventory of all the goods of Leonard Emerson, late of Egremond. Inventory amounts to £1 2s. 8d. Debts owing to deceased, £6 10s. 4d. [No Emersons mentioned.]

15 Sept., 1680. I, John Emerson, of Cockermouth, in Co. Cumberland, tailer. I give my messuage and land in Cockermouth, which I lately bought of John Westray, to my 2 daurs.. Mary and Hannah Emerson, and their heirs for ever, reserving the occupation and profit thereof to my now wife so long as she keeps my name. To Eliz. Atkinson, 5s. The rest of my goods to my wife Ann, whom, with my said daurs., I make executrix. John Emerson, his marke. Witnesses:—John Dodgson, John Fisher. [Date of probate not given.]

Bond dated 8 Dec., 1680, whereby Anne Emerson, widow, of Cockermouth, by Joshua Lucock, of Cockermouth, and John Richardson, of Egleasfeild, in the par. of Brigham, her sureties, is bound in the sum of £30 to fulfil the will of the said John Emerson, late of Cockermouth, her late husband, deced., and to pay to Mary and Hannah, daurs. of the said John, their filial parts. Inventory, taken 20 Oct., 1680, amounts to £10 8s. 8d.

Bond dated 26 April, 1681, whereby Jane Emerson, widow, of Workington, by Anthony Laurence and William Gray, both of Workington, in Co. Cumberland, her sureties, is bound in the sum of £20 to administer the goods, etc., of Robert Emerson, late of Great Clifton, deceased, and to pay to Robert Emerson, son of the said Robert, his filial part. Jane Emson, her marke. Inventory, made 17 March, 1680—1, amounts to £28 10s. 8d.

Bond dated 24th January, 1681, whereby Helen Emerson, widow, by Edward Lowes, of Lowkay, in Co. Cumberland, gent., her surety, is bound in the sum of £100 to administer the goods, &c., of John Emerson, junior, of Workington, her late husband, deceased, and to make a true inventory of the goods, etc. Inventory, made 2 Feb., 1681, amounts to £55 17s. 4d. Among the debts owing by deceased are:—To Bridgett Emerson, £2 10s. 0d. To Simond Washington, 9s. 0d.

12 Oct., 1689. I, John Emerson, of Workington, in Co. Cumberland. To my son Patricius Emerson, 1s. To my son Thomas Emerson, 2s. 6d. To my dau., Katherine Dent, 2s., and to her 3 daurs., Elizabeth, Mary, and Isabell, 1s. each. To my dau., Bridgett Falcon, £5. To my grandchildren, John Hamilton and Dorothy Emerson, 2s. 6d. each. I make my wife Isabell sole executrix. John Emerson, his marke. Witnesses:—Jo. Bolton, Ad. Thompson. [Date of probate not given.]

Bond dated 14 April, 1690, whereby Isabell Emmerson, widow, by Patrick Emerson, gent., and Adam Thompson, gent., her sureties, all of the parish of Workington, is bound in the sum of £100 to perform the will of the said John Emmerson, her late husband, deced., and to exhibit an inventory. Inventory, made 26 Dec., 1689, amounts to £40 3s. 4d.

8 April, 1690. Bond whereby Elizabeth Emerson, widow, of Cockermouth, by Samuel Halloway and Michael Wilkinson, both of the same, yeomen, her sureties, is bound in the sum of £100 to administer all the goods, etc., of Thomas Emerson, of Cockermouth, her late husband, deceased, and to pay to John Emerson, son of the said Thomas Emerson, his child's part. Inventory, made 10 Feb., 1690, amounts to £52 13s. 0d.

DEANERY OF COPELAND.

8 Dec., 1725. I, Thomas Emerson, of Great Clifton, in the par. of Workington, in Co. Cumberland, yeoman. I make my wife, Magdalen Emerson, my sole executrix. Thomas Emerson, his marke. Witnesses:—John Tiffin, John Harston, John Thompson. Proved 7 May, 1726, by the exor. Inventory amounts to £16 18s. 0d.

ARCH. LONDON.

27 Jan., 1692. I, Ruth Emerson, of London, widow. To my grandson, Richard Attwood, £25, to be raised out of my estate by my executrix, according to the direction of Thomas Gouge, senior, citizen and draper of London, whom I appoint overseer, and to be paid to the said Richard at his age of 21. If the said Richard die, the said money to go to the eldest child of my said [*sic*] dau. Ruth, and for want of any child, to the said Ruth for ever. My said dau. Ruth Attwood to have all my household goods until the said Richard attain his full age. To my sister, Sarah Withering, 2 gowns. To my bro., Thomas Withering, 20s. The rest of my goods to my said dau. Ruth, whom I make executrix. Ruth Emerson. Witnesses:—Edwd. Bannaster, Ann Bainton, Joseph Paratt, Jno. Portman. Proved 26 April, 1693. [Endorsed] Ruth Emmerson, of Trinity par., near Queenhith, London.

5 Jan., 1690. I, Robert Emerson, the elder, of Uxbridge, in Co. Middlesex, tailor. Whereas my eldest son and heir apparent, Robert Emerson, of Uxbridge, owes me £70, I now give him £40 thereof, the residue to be paid by him to my executor. I give my freehold messuage with a curtilage, outhouses, gardens, etc., in Uxbridge, now in the possession of Roger Lea, to my grandson, Robert Emerson, eldest son of my said son Robert, and his heirs, he paying to his uncle, Richard Emerson, my youngest son, £45; if the said Richard die, the said money to be paid to Peter Goskill, of Hornchurch, in Co. Essex, gent., and his heirs, in trust for Richard and Mary Emerson, the only children of the said Richard Emerson. My said grandson, Robert Emerson, to be exor. Daniell Goodall and William Read, junior, of West Drayton, in Co. Midd., to be overseers. Robert Emerson, his mke. Witnesses:—Richard Parkins, Grace Parkins. Proved 17 Feb., 1691.

ARCH. BUCKS.

20 Mar., 1683. I, Mary Emerson, of Lavendon, in Co. Bucks, widow. To Ann Hooton, of Sheriton, in Co. Bucks, 1 sheet, etc. To Mary Knight, of the same, 2 pair of sheets, and to her eldest dau., a dish. To Elizabeth Laughton, 3 pairs of sheets. To the eldest dau. of Edward Laughton, of Warrinton, 1 dish. To Mary Ward, of Lavendon, widow, a bed. To Ann Bitchinall, wife of John Bitchinall, a kettle, etc. To Eliz. Ward, wife of Richard Ward, 1 kettle. To Ann Bitchinall, my sister, a coat. The rest of my goods to John Laughton, John Bitchinall and Richard Ward, my executors. The mark of Mary Emerson. Witnesses:—John Burrage, John Woodden, Luke Sybthorp. Proved 16 April, 1684.

ARCH. SURREY.

19 Feb. . . I, John Emson, of the par. of St. Saviours, in Southwark, victualler. To be bur. in the par. church of . . . where my late deceased wife was buried. To the 2 sons of my late bro., Robert Emson, late of Hornsey, in Co. . . . £5 each; if they die, the same to go to Eliz. Carter, dau. of Wm. Carter. (Legacies to servants):—Legacies to Geo. Stamford, John Bromley, Tho. Kingston, of Gray's Inn Lane, John Clement, John Pentyer, Roger Hodden, Mrs. Ragg, Hen. Greene. To William Sandes, my son-in-law, all the debts he owes me. The rest of my goods to Mary, my wife, whom I make exor. Hen. Greene, Wm. Russell, Ric. . . . to be overseers. The mke. of the said John Emson. Witnesses:—Ric. Hall, Hen. Greene, Wm. Russell, Thos. Kingston, Hugh Burrowes. Proved 4 June, 1605, by the executrix. [The right-hand side of this will has been eaten right away by a rat!]

OXFORD COURTS.

Bond dated 7 November, 1644, whereby Avice Bowring, of the City of Oxford, widow, by Henry Hall, of the University of Oxford, printer, her surety, is bound in the sum of £300. The condition of this obligation is, that if the said Avice Bowring, sister of Adrian Emerson, deceased, whilst she lived the wife of John Emerson, late of the par. of St. Mary the Virgin, Oxford, tailor, deceased, and exor. of the goods, etc., of deceased during the minority of John, Stephen, Alice and Mary Emerson, children of the said deced., do well and truly administer the said goods, etc., and pay the debts, then this obligation to be void.

WESTMINSTER WILLS AND ADMONS.

15 Aug., 1720. I, William Emerson, senior, of Kensington, in Co. Midd., gent. To my dau., Anne Goundry, 1s., if demanded, I having already made provision for her according to my ability. To my son, Sedgwick Emerson, the interest on £300. To my Grand-dau., Elizabeth Munden, £100. To my dau., Elizabeth Garth, £50. To my wife, Jane Emerson, the interest on £200. To my dau., Jane Fry, £50. To my son, John Emerson, £75. All the rest of my goods to my son, William Emerson, for ever, he to pay to my said son Sedgwick an annuity of £25. My son John to be exor. Will Emerson. Witnesses:—John Biserote (?), Hen. Joynes, Benj. Jackman. Proved 30 Sept., 1720, by the exor.

On the 5th day of April, 1720, there issued a commission to Rose Emerson, widow, relict of Robert Emerson, late of the parish of St. Margarets, Westminster, to administer the goods, etc., of deceased.

RICHMOND WILLS.

DEANERY OF COPELAND.

9 May, 1727. I, Patrick Emmerson, of Workington, in Co. Cumberland, yeoman. To my son, John Emmerson, 1 table, 2 long settles, and 1 grate standing in the fore-room of my dwelling house in Workington. To my dau. Catherine, a great chest. To my dau. Isabell, my trunk. To my dau., Dorothy Ealbeck, 20s. To my dau., Mary Charlewood, £10. To my dau. Anne, £10. To all my said daus., £10 each. All the rest of my goods to my wife, Mary Emmerson, and to my friends, John Dickinson, of Streetgate, and John Hambleton, of Whitehaven, senior, whom I make exors. The residue of my leasehold estate I give to my wife and son John. Pat. Emerson. Witnesses:—John Lumley, Adam Thompson, Joseph Milner. Proved 24 July, 1728, by the relict. Inventory amounts to £432 14s. 8d. Debts owing by deced., £192. Clear, £260 14s. 8d.

ARCH BERKS.

ACT BOOK II.; F. 232.

On the 16th day of August, 1632, admon. of goods, etc., of Giles Emerson, late of Newbury, in Co. Berks, yeoman, was granted to Sibella Emerson, the relict. Inventory amounts to £34 18s. 6d.

SHOREHAM AND CROYDON.

WILLS 1699—1711; F. 946.

1 Dec., 1706. I, Mary Emberson, "widow, in Crayford." To be bur. in the Churchyard of Crayford, by my late husband. All my goods to be divided amongst my 2 sons, John and Jeremiah, my dau. Eliz. Hope, and my granddau., Anne Storie, all of Crayford, in Co. Kent. To my son, Isaac Eberson, 2s., he having already had £10 when he went to his farm in North Fleet. John Holding to be exor. Witnesses:—Gilb. Crockatt, Rector of Crayford, Saml. Barnes, Clerk. Proved 17 Dec., 1706.

COMMISSARY LONDON (ESSEX AND HERTS).

14 Oct., 1727. I, Joseph Emberson, of White Notley, in Co. Essex, yeoman. To Henry Runacle, of White Notley, singleman, 4 crofts of land and pasture, with a tenement thereon built, with a passage to and from the same through a field called Little Perry field: the said crofts containing about 7 a.; also another croft called Black Acre, adjoining a messuage of John Wright, Esq.: which said premises I bought of John Wilsheire, of Terling, and Hannah, his wife; all which said premises are in White Notley; Also my copyhold estate called Webbs, being 1 messuage and 13 a. of land; to hold to the said Henry Runacle and his heirs for ever. I also give to the said Henry the messuage with appurts in the occupation of John Francis, butcher. To Joseph Runacle and his heirs for ever, my copyhold estate, being 1 messuage, 1 garden and 3 a. of land in White Notley, now in the occupation of James Cole. To Susanna Taylor, wife of George Taylor, of Briantree, in Co. Essex, Woolkember, 40s. To Sarah, wife of James Joslin, of White Notley, husbandman, £5. To Rachel and Hannah Runacle, £5 each, at their ages of 21. All the rest of my goods to the said Henry Runacle, and I make him and Daniel Huccably, of W. Notley, yeoman, exors. The Mark of Joseph Emberson. Witnesses:— Ann Wright, John Simpson, Nathaniel Phillips. Proved 17 July, 1729.

WILLS AT SOMERSET HOUSE SEARCHED AND ABSTRACTED.

Commissary London (Essex and Herts), 1431—1619, original wills. Probate and Admon. Acts, 1619—1699. Original Wills and Admons., 1699—1740.

Commissary London (Essex and Herts), 1660—1719, registered wills. No will registered, 1720—1740.

Arch. Colchester, 1495—1585—1621, registered; 1621—1725, nil. Wills and Admons., 1689—1783, nil. Registered wills, 1670—1726, nil.

Arch. Essex, Registered, 1602—1653—1725, registered; 1726—1730, nil; 1478—1695, registered. Arch. Essex, original.

Arch. Midd. (Essex and Herts), 1556—1711—1617—1730. Wills and Admons., 1708—1730, nil.

Arch. Midd. (London Portion).

Emerson, Christopher, 1662.

17 Sept., 1662, comm. to John Emerson, son of Christopher E., late of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields.

Emerson, Robert, of Uxbridge, 1692. Will, register missing.

Emerson, Anna, 1725, 23 June. Will proved of Anne E., late of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, widow of Thos. Barlow, exor., power reserved to Rob., Geo. and Anne Christy, exors.

Emerson, Thomas, 1731, 17 May. Comm. to Eliz. E., relict of Thos. Emerson, late of Uxbridge in Co. Midd.

St. Katherines by the Tower, London, nil.

Peculiar of Bocking and Writtle, Essex; Good Easter, Essex, nil. Arch. of Hitchin, 1550—1750, nil, registered wills.

Archdeaconry of London, Wills and Acts, 1393—1750.

Emerson, Mawdelina, 81, 30 Oct., 1570. Admon. of goods of M. E., par. of St. Andrew, Holborn, granted to Robert Mason, during the minority of James Poole, her son.

Emerson, Matthew, 107. Nothing extant, register missing. Will of M. E., of par. of St. Michael Bushingshawe. Proved 24 Mar., 1592—3, by Margaret E., executrix.

Emerson, Thomas, 1611, Apl. 6. Admon. granted to Thos. E., late of St. Michael Bassingshawe, draper, granted to Catherine his relict.

Emerson, Ralf, 1625, 29 Aug. Admon. (with will) of goods of R. E., of the par. of Holy Trinity the Less, granted to Joan Johnson, the principal legatee.

Emsone, Ricd., als. Emsdon, late of St. Botolph beyond Aldgate, bachelor, granted to John Emsone, his brother.

Emerson, Leonard, 1628. (Nothing extant for this year.) Sep., will [*sic*] of L. E., of St. Margarets, Lothbury, bricklayer. Proved by Alice, the relict.

Emerson, Ferdinand, 1633, Dec. 8. Will of Ferdinand Emerson, of St. Andrew's, Holborn. Proved by Joan, his relict.

Emerson, John, 1639, Apl. 23. Will of John E., late of par. of All Saints, London Wall. Proved by Wm. Hodgeson, exor.

Emerson, Mary, 1639—1640, Jan. 11. Admon. of Mary E., par. of St. Botolph beyond Aldgate, granted to Susan Nuce, her sister.

Emerson, Thos., 1689, Nov. 1. Renunciation of admon. of goods of Thos. E., of St. James, Clerkenwell, made by Jane E., relict.

Emerson, Ruth, 1693, Apl. 26. Will of Ruth E., late of par. of ——. Proved by Ruth Attwood, exor.

Emerson, James, 1704, Feb. 1. Comm. to Mary E., relict of James E., late of par. of St. Leonard, Shoreditch, to admr. goods, etc.

Emerton, Thos., 1714, Aug. 10. Comm. to Eliz. E., relict of Thos. E., of par. of St. Botolph, Aldersgate, to admr.

Emerson, Ebenezer, 1726, 15 Mar. Comm. to Eliz. E., relict of Ebenezer E., late of par. of St. Botolph, Aldgate.

Emerton, Francis, 1728, of par. of St. Botolph, Aldgate. Proved by Anne E., his relict.

Emerson, William, 1729, May. Renunciation; no particulars to be found.

Arch. Rochester: No Emersons. Peculiar of Cliffe, nr. Rochester: No Emersons.

Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's, 1646—1750.

Emson, John, Jan. 23, 1665. Will of John Emson, late of the precincts of Norton Folgate, in Co. Midd., bachelor. Proved by Thos. Purifie.

Emerson, Cuthbert. Admon. 7 Jan., 1668, late of the precincts of Purpoole, in par. of St. Andrew's, Holborn, granted to Martha E., his daughter.

Emerson als. Butterworth, Eliz. (wife of John Butterworth), Oct. 1, 1683, relict of John E., late of Norton Folgate.

12 March, 168⅘. Renunciation of Admons. of goods of Ralf Emmerson, late of Purpool, in par. of St. Andrew's, Holborn, made by Sidney E., his relict.

Emerson, Eliz., 24 Aug., 1728. Comm. to E. E., relict of Geo. E., late of St. Andrew's, Holborn.

Emerson, Rebecca, 28 Jan., 1731—2, relict of Ric. E., late of par. of St. Leonard, Shoreditch.

Consistory of Sarum, 1526—1744: No Emersons. Archdeaconry of Sarum, 1536—1700: No Emersons. Archdeaconry of Wilts, 1583—1750: No Emersons. Dean of Sarum, 1559—1750: No Emersons. Peculiars of Corsham, Castle Combe, D. and C. Windsor, Durnford, D. and C. Sarum, Gillingham, Lyme Regis and Halstock, 1559—1750: No Emersons. Sub-Dean of Sarum, 1660—1750: No Emersons. Peculiars of Bishopston, Burbage, Combe and Harnham, etc., 1660—1750: No Emersons. Archdeaconry of Surrey, 1649—1680: No Emersons. Surrey Court of Delegates, 1662—1730: No Emersons. Peculiars of Archs. London: No Emersons. Richmond Wills—Deanery of Furness: No Emersons; Deanery of Kendale: No Emersons; Deanery of Lonsdale: No Emersons.

Peculiars of Shoreham and Croydon.

Emerson, John, Clerk, M.A. Licence to officiate in parish church of Shoreham and the chapel of Otford thereto annexed. 25 July, 1635; Act Book, 1629—1642, fo. 67.

Emerson, Thos., Clerk, M.A. Licence to officiate in the Chapel of Downe, Co. Kent. 24 May, 1638, Act Bk., 1629—1642; fo. 90B.

Emberson, Thos., Gillingham, Co. Kent. June, 1681, Bond and warrant. 22 July, 1681, admon. of goods of Thos. E., granted to Mary E., relict. Act Book, 1672—83, 104B.

YORKS REGISTER.

(Includes Nott's Wills, etc.

Thomas Emerson, Forester, of Magreiff. 1 Jan., 1524. (Latin.) [IX., 308.] To be burd. in All Saints' Church, Skelton, near tomb of wife Agnes. Best animal for my mortuary. Fabric of Skelton church, 3s. 4d. For my burial in same, 3s. 4d. Lights of Blessed Mary, of Skelton, 2 ewes. The Lord Prior of Gisburne, for tithes forgotten, and for absolution of my soul, 6s. 8d. High altar of Skelton for small tithes forgotten, 6s. 8d. To each order of Friars, 3s. 4d. Dominus Rd. Whitby, my curate, a young beast (anum pullum), to pray for my soul. Thomas Wilson, husband of Agnes W., my cousin, 6 ewes. Margt. Kyplyng, a heifer worth 5s. To the children of John Laine [? Lame], of Gisburne, a cow or the value. Residue to my children, viz., Xtofer Emerson, my son and heir, and George Emerson, my son, exors. Witnesses :—Robert Rotte, Thos. Wilson and Thomas Turpyn. Proved 4 May, 1525, by exors.

Phillipe Emersone, of Skelton in Cleveland. 26 Aug., 1583. [XXII., 652.] To be burd. in Skelton churchyd. Son William E., my interest in my farm in Skelton, to be good to my wife, his mother, and my dau., Agnes Emersone, his sister. To said dau. Agnes E., besides her portion, the cow she has at Mawaker and 15 sheep, etc. If wife Janet and son William cannot live together, my wife "to have the Blacke house that I buylded in my garth to syt in during her widdowe head." 6d. yearly for 13 years in bread and ale amongst the worke men repairing certain roads. Sr. Rowland Erington, 3s. 4d. Godbarnes, 4d. each. Francis Havelock's daus., 3 pecks of wheat each. Elizth., wife of Percivall Barwicke, a bushell of wheat. Supervisors—John Havlocke, of Holbeck mylne, Wm. Thompson, of Marske, junr., Francis Havelocke and Geo. Calverd. Daur. Agnes Emersone, Exx. Witnesses :—Rowland Errington, curate of Skelton, Geo. Calverd, Francis Havelocke. Proved at York 6 May, 1584, by the extrix.

William Emmerson, of Skelton, Co. York, yeoman. 24 Feb., 1746. [XCI., 249.] To be burd. at discretion of exors. Eldest son, Stephen Emmerson, at 21, that part of my land called Windells or Wandell Banks, and that part called Fowfells which was lately exchanged of Mr. Hall, he paying to my wife, Jane Emmerson, £10 a year for her life, or if she marry again, £7 a year. Wife, my household furniture. Son William Emmerson, at 21, my house, garth, and orchard, except the parlour, which my wife is to have for her life or widowhood, he paying thereout to my son, John Emmerson, £20. Daurs. Elizth. Emmerson, Jane Emmerson, Ann Emmerson, Margt. Emmerson, Mary Emmerson, £50 each at 21. Youngest son, John Emmerson, £50 at 21. All these to be paid out of that part of my land called Hankill and Kirkflats, and Breekonhead and Aliser ffowfels to be sold. Land called Leylands and all my personal estate to my brother-in-law, John Wilson, and my own brother, George Emmerson, upon trust to sell and pay my debts, and divide the surplus amongst all my daurs. and my youngest son. Said John Wilson and Geo. Emmerson to be guardians for all these my children till of age, and to be exors. Witnesses :—Philip Emerson, Geo. Slates, Peter Cartwright. Proved at York, 23 May, 1747.

Wm. Emerson, of Scardeburgh. 4 June, 1486. (Latin.) [V., 285.] To be buried in St. Mary's Church, Scardeburgh. Bequests to Scardeburgh Church, York Cathl., Thweyng Church, Flemyngburton Church, each order of Friars at Scardeburgh, New Bridge, across the Derwent. Small bequests to Johan Wright, William Lander and Dominus Thos. Boith. Land at Thweyng to be sold, and money to be divided amongst my children, born of said Johan Wright. Residue to Johan Burton, widow of John B., extrix. Supervisor—Rd. Tunstall, vicar of Scardeburgh. Witnesses :—John Henrison Chaplain, John Hoton and John Smith, burgesses. Proved 16 June, 1486, by the exors.

Edward Emerson, of Fyveley, husbn. 22 Feb., 1552. [XIII., 1010.] To be burd. in F. churchyd. My sister, Isabell Storke, of Semer, a secke of wheat and a secke of barley. Margt. Skarwen, a secke of wheate. Emmott Wynter, 2 yowes and 2 lambs. James Yates, a paire of hoise and a bushell of wheat. Gabriell Wilie, one lande of peases and a yowe and lamb. Brother's children, Thos. and Isabell, a lamb each. Sister's son, Wm. Kelen and his sister Margt., the like. Robt. Wynter, a bushell of wheat. Poor men's box, xviij.d. My gostelie ffather, Sir James, xij.d. Father-in-law, John Thompson, my best horse. Poor in the towne, iij.s. iiij.d. Edmonde Doe's childe Elizth., a lamb. Anne Tompson and Marie, a yowe and lamb each. Residue to wife, extrix. Witnesses :—James Cawvar, clk., John Thompson, Rd. Atkynson, John Keilen, Robt. Wynter. Proved 15 Sept., 1553, by extrix.

John Emerson, of Fyvelaye. 15 March, 1551. [XIII., 759.] To be burd. in F. Churchyd. To the almes box, ij.d. Wm. Storke, a jackett. Ranf Marshall, a freaid jackett. Lawrence Scarwen, a pare of hoise. Lease of my mylne to Anne my wife, and Thomas Emerson. Res. to wife Anne, son Thomas, and daur., Sibille Emerson, exors. Witnesses :— William Atkynson, John Shepperd, John Richardson and Wm. Blakeburn. Proved 4 Sept., 1551 [*sic*], by the widow, power being reserved for the others, minors.

John Emerson, of Wresle. 2 Aug., 1540. [XI., 450.] To be burd. in W. Church. Brother Richard E., all my raymente and the horse that he useth to ride upon and a gray mare, and to each of his sons Robte. and John, a young filly. John Emerson, xx.s. and my indenture of Burne leis, and Maister Vavisour to have it and him in keeping to his profit. Margaret Emerson, a cow. Thomas Emerson, my house in Howden. Residue, to wife Jennet, extrix. Witnesses :— Sr. Thos. Bachouse, vicar of Wresle, my curate, and Hnriee Smyth. Proved 14 Oct., 1540, by extrix.

William (qy. Walter) Emerson, of Brantingham. 15 Aug., 1540. [XI., 499.] To be burd. in churche erthe of Alhallos, at Brantingham. Elizth. Richardson, my best whie. Sr. William London, xx.d., to pray for my saull. Residue to wife Beatrix, and Rd., John and Elizth, my children, exors. Witnesses :—Robt. Mylner, priest, Thomas Woodmanse, Robert Gray and John Writh. Proved 9 March, 1540, by the widow and son Rd., power being reserved for John and Elizth., minors.

William Emerson, of Grymston, in parish of All Saints, called Kirkby Underdall. 8 April, 1533. [XI., 89.] To be burd. in St. Marie's Abbey, York. "To my lorde Abbott and his consent for my buryall and absolucon ther my dunyde geldyng, if it please God me to depart wt. in the Citie of York." Sacrament of the altar at K. Underdall, an oxe styrke, to pray for my saull. Son Gregory, a whie styrke. To a childe of myne in Huby, a whie styrke. Residue in 3 parts—one between Antony, my son, and Margt., my dau.; the second, to Elizth., my wife, and the third, for the health of my soul and my debts and legacies, and that done to my son Antony. Wife extrix. My lord Abbot supervisor. Witnesses :—Thos. Lame, taillyour, Thos. Skirrow, armorer, Wm. Richardson, haberdasher, James Hall, flesher, Xtofer Lermothe, the wryter herof, and John Alman, glasiour. Proved 16 April, 1533, by extrix.

William Emerson, of Estcottingwith. 12 Aug., 1545. [XIII., 50.] To be burd. in Aughton churchyd. Aughton Church, xx.d. Estcottingwith Chapel, xx.d. Vicar of Aughton, xii.d. Sr. John Holme, xii.d. Daur. Elyne, a gray mare and a black filly, etc., and v.s. Rd. Audlay, a gray filly, etc. Thomas Emerson to have a quarter of corne. Henrie Handley, of Ellerton, half a quarter of corne, etc. My farmholde to my wife for life, and then to my son Richard, and they exors. Witnesses :—Sr. Robt. Henley, the vicar, Richard Robynson, John Tefton, and Rd. Hodgeson. Proved 19 Sept., 1545, by son Richard, power being reserved for Ellis, widow of decd.

Thomas Emerson, of Biggin. 18 Jan., 1658. [XLIII., 322.] To be buried in Kirk Fenton churchyd. (near Leeds). Son Thomas Emerson, £20. Daur. Elizth. Emerson, £20 and a new bed. Daur. Anne Emerson, £20 and a bed and a press. Brother Henry Emerson, 10s. John Dawson, Thos. Dawson, Richard Dawson, Elizth. Dawson and Margt. Watson, 5s. each. Residue of goods to wife Jonie and son Anthonie Emerson, exors. (Signed by Mark.) Witnesses :—ffrancis Wynn, Thos. Wilson, Robt. Midleton. No probate in Register (1660—1).

William Emerson, of Hasholme. 16 Feb., 1670. [LII., 205.] To be buried in Holme Churchyd. Poor of the pariah, £1. Kinsman, William Emerson, £5. Anne Margeson's children now living, one cottage house with the ground belonging, lying in Sandholme, which I have of said Anne upon mortgage to them and their heirs for ever. To Thos. Skin's 4 unmarried daurs., £5 amongst them. To my maidservant, Phillis Emerson, £2. To Richard Emerson, £10, and one acre of land in Gilberdyke in a close by the Broad Lane side in the occupation of Edward Parker, to him and his heirs for ever. To Wm. Robeson, one bill which I have of him. To my wife, one cottage house and 3 acres of land called the Paddocke, and one other acre in Hyne ffeild, for her life, and then to Robt. Carling for his life, and then to his children and their heirs for ever. To John Hessey, £80, to pay for the land that is bought of Thos. Leeke. Peter Hessey a cottage and 5 a. of land in Gilberdyke in occupn. of Wm. Baley, in tail. If no issue, or none attaining 21, then to Richard Emerson and his heirs for ever. John Hessey, a cottage in Sandholme and 6 a. of land, in tail. If no issue attaining 21, then to Wm. Emerson and his heirs for ever. To Peter Hessey and John Hessey, a messuage at Yoakefleete, and land belonging thereto in tail. If no issue attaining 21, then to Thomas Skin's 4 daurs. and their heirs for ever. Margaret Lam-

bert, one cubbert. Residue of goods to my wife, extrix. (Signed by mark.) Witnesses:—Richard Kerton, Hy. Hayton. No probate in Register (1670—1).

Richard Emerson, of Kelfeild, yeoman. 16 Aug., 1677. [LVII., 516.] To be buried in decent manner. Daur. Elizth. E., the house wherein I live, being a cottage wth. the barne, garth and orchard, she paying to Anne E. and ffaith E., my daurs., £5 each. Daur. Anne E., three lands called Burnthates, in the Twhates feild, containing 3 roods of arable land (boundaries described). Also 1½ rood of arable land called the Cawfa (boundaries described). Also 2½ roods in the North feild (boundaries described). Also half an acre and half a rood in the East field; 1½ rood thereof called a humell lyeth between lands of Geo. Wray on the West, etc. (boundaries described). Daur. Faith Emerson, half an acre, called Burntwhates, in the Twhates feild (boundaries described). Also half an acre in the field called Cawfa (boundaries described). Also 2 roods and 2 half roods in the North Field (boundaries described). Residue of goods to daur. Elizth. Emerson, exx. My wife Isabell to have the house, barne, garth and orchard during her life. (Signed by mark.) Witnesses: Thomas Wray, Ellinor Wray, James Beverley. No probate in Register (1676—7).

Robert Emerson, of the Hoyle Mill, par. Hunsworth, mealeman. 19 Sept., 1680. [LVIII., 142.] To be buried in Xtian buriall. ffrancis ffether and Mary his wife, 1s. each, and to 4 of his children and one the wombe, 1s. each. Richard Womacke and Isabell his wife and 2 children, and one in the wombe, 1s. each. John Stainfeild and Grace his wife and 2 children, 1s. each. Thomas Allison and Dorothy his wife and 3 children, 1s. each. Son John and Alice his wife and one child, 1s. each. Residue to wife Beatrice, extrix. (Sign-d by mark.) Witnesses:—Joseph Burton, Anne Craven, James Crosley. Proved 19th Oct., 1680, by the exx.

Thomas Emmerson, of Lockington, labr. 13 May, 1681. [LIX., 71.] Body to the earth. Brother Robert Emmerson, 12d. in full satisfaction of what he shall or may claime out of my estate. Nephew Rd. Hogg, 12 l. for the like. Residue of goods to my wife, Martha Emmerson, extrix. (Signed by mark.) Witnesses:— Wm. Eldrington, John Robinson, Bryan Tayler. Proved 14th June, 1681.

James Eamerson, of Welborne. 10 March, 1686. [Vacancy. Unregd. Augt., 1686.] To be buried in the parish churchyard of Bullmer. Grandchild Seusanah Emerson, 3 ewes and lambs, 1 glumer hog, 1 weather hog and 1 tiep [? tup] hog. Grandchild Ane Walkere, one bedstead and one chest at my wife's death. Also one great kettle, in full of all legacies and portions. To my landlady, Ane Woodcock, all the loose giece [joists] and boards over the house and parlour. More to my grandchild, Seusanse Eamerson, a table and a brass pot. Wife Esabell Eamerson the residue of my personal estate, and she extrix. Wife Isabell Eamerson to be kinde to my grandchild Seusanse Emerson, and to give her what she may conveniently spare. (Signed by mark.) Seal. Witnesses:—Richard Milner, John Woodcocke, Thos. Duckworth.

Bond 2nd Aug., 1686, by Isabella Eamerson, of Crambe, widow, and Thomas Staveley of same, husbandman, in £40. Inventory, 13 July, 1686, by John Green, John Huggell, Rd. ffoster, Jo. Spofforth. Total, £14 1s. 0d.

Marke Emerson, of East Retford, Co. Nott., butcher. 11 Jan., 1686. [Vacancy. Unregistered. May, 1687.] Body to the earth. After debts, etc., paid, I give to my extrix., Ann Sampson, wife of Leonard S., £5, that is in widow Cobb's hands. Sister Ann Emerson, £5. Sister Mary Emerson, 1s. Sister Elizth. Emerson, 1s. Residue of goods to my loving mother, Ann Sampson, extrix. (Signed by mark.) Plain seal. Witnesses:—Richard Morton, Rd. Morton, Elizth. Windle.

Bond 19 March, 1686, by Anne Sampson, of East Retford, wife of Leonard S., and the said Leonard Sampson, in £56.

Inventory, 24th Jan., 1686, by Savill Atkinson, Wm. Revell and Rd. Morton. Purse and apparel, £3 0s. 6d. Moneys upon a bond £10 0s. 0d. Given £5 upon a legacy by Wm. Barley. Funeral charges, £2 19s. 6d. Debts for clothes and lent money, £5 6s. 4d. Debts to Mr. Robt. Parnell, £5 6s. 4d. Legacy to Ann Emerson, £5 0s. 0d. Legacy to Mary Riane, 1s. 0d. Legacy to Sister Elizth., 1s. 0d. Debt to Wm. Booth, 1s. 8d. Debt to Rd. Malam, 1s. 8d.

John Emmerson, of Thorpe Salvin. 6 May, 1675. [Dean and Chapter, 1675. Unregistered.]

Admon. Bond by James Bullimr., of Mattersey, Co. Nott., yeoman, and John Martin, of Thorpe Salvin, yeoman, in £40.

Inventory, 24 Sept., 1675, by Gervase Tunsell [also written Stansell], John Wild, Robt. Berry and John Martine. Total, £18 0s. 4d.

Ales Emerson, of Clifton, Co. York, widow. 13 March, 1669. [Dean and Chapter. Unregd., 1670.] To be buried in parish churchyd. of St. Mareye's. Jane Maskell, of Selbey, wife to Thomas Maskell, a bedstead and various clothes. "To George Emerson Three Brother Childer, as many as comes within six monthes," 2s. 6d. each. Jane Tomelinson, various clothes and 5s. Barbray Hodgson, the like. James Coates' sonne, of Yorke, 10s. Michaell Woodward's sonne, of Easingwold, 10s. Josif Herreson's daur., 5s. Residue of goods to Thos. Woodhard and John Maskell, exors. (Signed by mark.) Seal. Witnesses:—Anthony Betson, William Goodall, Wm. Tyson.

Bond, 10 April, 1670, by Thomas Woodhard, of Acombe, linen weaver, and Anthony Betson, of Clifton, yeoman, in £100. Inventory, £24.

Dorothy Emerson, of Mansfield (Notts.), widow. 15 May, 1747. [XCIII., 233.] Sister Fletcher, my gold watch chain and seal, "and all my Black and Gray close." Nephew John Danser, my yellow damask bed, etc., one large silver cup, 4 silver spoons marked T E D. Nephew Hugh Fletcher, a pair of fine Irish linen sheets, etc., and to his wife, my sapet muf and gold buttons. Nephew Jacob Danser, all that moiety of land of mine in Darbieshire called Parceley Hey and Peacock Close, and £10. Nieces Elizth., Ruth and Frances Fletcher, all my wearing apparel, silks, lace and linen except my red satin quilted peticote, which I give to my nephew John Danser's wife. Also all my plate and china equally, and £5 each for mourning. The money that I have upon bond from my sister Fletcher and her son, my nephew John Danser, to go as I before disposed of it by a deed. Niece Stow, my dear husband's picture, and to her and Mr. Stow, each a guinea to buy rings. Mrs. Margt. Mumphesant, a gna. for a ring. Mr. John Warsop, 2 gns. for his civility and good services he has done for me. Servants, 20s. each. Exors., my sister Fletcher and my nephew, John Danser. Witnesses:—Margt. Mompeson, Elizth. Danser, Alice Martin. Proved at York, 3 Mch., 1749.

George Emerson, of White Harworth, Durham Diocese. 5 July, 1631. [Prerogative Act Bk.] Admon. to John Emerson, of Sheildes, Co. Durham, brother of decd.

*William Emerson, of Eastgate par. Stanhoppe, Durham Diocese. 7 Feb., 1625. [Prerog. Act Book.] Admon. to Mary, wife of Henry Blakinston, late wife of decd. *Barmeton family.—P. H. E.

Nicholas Emerson, of York. 12 April, 1613. [Prerog. Act Book.] Admon. to Margaret Emerson, the widow and relict.

Robert Emerson, of Bursey. 7 Feb., 1633. [Hull and Harthill Act Bk.] Admon. to widow Isabella. Also curation of daur., Anne Emerson. Above £40.

Richard Emerson, of South Cliffe. 28 Sept., 1603. [Do.] Admon. to Margt. Emerson to the use of Richard Emerson, son of William Emerson, late of Elloughton, decd.

Robert Emerson, of Crawburn. 19 Nov., 1561. [Bulmer Act Bk.] Admon. to widow Joanna. Bond by admix., Robert Emerson, James Barton and John Richardson.

Nicholas Emerson, of York. 12 April, 1613. [City Act Book.] Admon. to Margt. Emerson, widow of decd. Above £40.

Robert Amerson, of Farburn. 16 Dec., 1519. (Latin.) [IX., 132.] To be buried in All Saints' Church, Leddesham. My best animal for my mortuary. High altar for tithes forgotten, xii.d. Repair of the images of the xii. Apostles, iij.s. iiij.d. Son John [? a quarter of corn]. Friars Preachers, of Pontefract, a quarter of malt for a mass of Scala Celi, and he who celebrates it to have iiij.d. Residue of goods to son, Thomas Amerson, exor. Witnesses:—Thos. Yllingworth, James Durn . . . ., John Watter, John Huytt, James Huytt. Proved at York, 14 Feb., 1520, by the exor.

William Emerson, of the [Crosse?] House. 8 Sept., 1636. [Unregistd. Sept., 1638.] To be buried in Easington churchyard. Ellis Pinder, 1 cowe. John Anat, one ew. The other 2 children of Widow Anat, a lamb each. Marmaduke Chapman, x.li. of the xx.li. that is in Mr. Beckwith's hands. The 5 children of Thomas Theakston, a lamb each. The wife of Mathewe Osbourne, of Wapley, 13s. 4d. Geo. Wilton, the younger, £3 6s. 8d. To the other 2 children of George Wilton, Marmaduke and John Wilton, xx.s. each. Easbell Pinder, the daur. of Nicolas Pinder, one ewe. Rd. Gumill and Wm. Gumill, of Gillimore, 5s. each. Cousin, Jane Emerson, of Whidby, 12d. Residue of goods to sonne-in-lawe, Geo. Willton, exor. (Not signed or sealed.) Witnesses:—Wm. Crosthwaite, Roger Bell, Nicholas Pinder. Proved 11 Sept., 1638.

Vincent Emerson, of Bolby par. Esington. 4 Feb., 1561. [Cleveland Act Book.] Administration to Isabella, the relict of deceased. Bond by adminx., William Abott and Nicholas Emerson, for the portions of William, Robt. and Joanna, children of decd.

Anthony Emerson, of Redcar. 28 April, 1569. [Vacancy Act Book, 1568--70, fo. 146.] Admon. to Ellen, the relict of decd.

*Alexander Emmerson, of Adlingfleete. 19 Feb., 1650. [Pontefract Act Book.] Admon. to Christopher Brumby, of Luddington, Co. Lincoln, yeoman (Gartrude Emmerson, widow of decd., renouncing and consenting). Above £40. (N.B.—No Tuition Bond in the Act Book.) * *Vide* Lincolnshire pedigree.—P. H. E.

PREROGATIVE ACT BOOK AT YORK.

1749, Oct. 14. Timothy Emerson, gent., of Redgate Foot, in the parish of Wokingham, Co. Durham. Admon. to Dinah Emerson, his widow and relict. No inventory exhibited, but Bond entered.

1749—50, March 8. Dorothy Emerson, of Mansfield, Co. Nott. Will proved by John Danser, gent., one of the exors. No inventory exhibited, but Bond entered.

RETFORD ACT BOOKS.

1745, Nov. 19. Tuition of the person and portion of Wharton Emerson, a minor, the natural and lawful child of Alexander Emerson, of East Retford, granted to the said Alexander Emerson. A Schedule exhibited and Bond entered.

1745, Nov. 19. Thomas Emerson, of East Retford, gent. Admon., with will and codicil annexed, granted to Alexander Emerson, gent., tutor or guardian of Wharton Emerson, a minor, his residue of my wife's jointure, which I have power to dispose of if we have no issue. Goddaur. Elizth., eldest daur. of my sd. nephew, Alexr. Emerson, all my lands in Searby, North Kelsey and Caister, Co. Lincoln. To said Wharton Emerson, the rest of my plate and all my linen ; and my friends, William Simpson, of Babworth, esqr., James Birch, of Thorp Hall, Co. Lincoln, and Geo. Mason, of Eaton, gentlemen, or one of them to take care of them till he attains 21. Each of my servants, 40s. Poor of East Retford, 40s. Poor of Sutton-on-Sound, 20s. Poor of Little Gringley, 20s. Residue of goods to sd. Wharton Emerson, but my sd. friends, Simpson, Birch and Mason, to take care of them for him till 21 ; and I give them 10 gnas. apiece and 5 gnas. apiece yearly during continuance of the trust, and I make them exors. Witnesses :—Anne Justice, Geo. Morton, John Barker. Codicil, 2 May, 1745. Wife Dorothy, all the arrears of rent from her jointure estate in Upton, Mansfield and Hucknal, under Huthwait, also pewter dishes and plates that came from Mansfield, and certain furniture (described). Geo. Morton, of Babworth, in regard to his civility and kind attendance of me in my illness, a waggon cart and a horse. Mr. Geo. Stow, my niece Alice's husband, my grew horse. As it is uncertain whether any or which of my Trustees will take upon them that Trust, I nominate Thomas Hutton, of Gainsbro', gent., as an additional trustee. Witnesses :—John Barker, Elizth. Dickonson, John Dennison. Proved at York, 19 Nov., 1745.

1746, May 26. Thomas Emerson, of East Retford. Admon. with will and codicil annexed (proved 19 Nov., 1745) granted to Elizth. Emerson, widow, tutor or guardian of Wharton Emerson, a minor, next-of-kin of sd. decd., and residuary legatee in sd. will named, to fulfil sd. will and codicil for the use and during the minority of said minor. No Inventory exhibited, but Bond entered. (Admon. with will and codicil annexed of goods twice unadministered, granted by the Principal Registry, 21 March, 1889.)

Thomas Emerson, of East Retford (Notts), gent. 30 April, 1745. [LXXXIX., 343.] Under a lingering and troublesome disorder of body. To Wharton Emerson, son of my brother, Alexander Emerson, my moiety of lands in Thornton-le-Clay, etc., Co. Lincoln, held by lease for 3 lives from the Bishop of Ely, charged nevertheless with an annuity of £40 to my wife Dorothy. To said wife Dorothy, a quantity of silver plate described, some marked TED and DS. Also the yellow damask bed, etc., now in the apple chamber, which came from Mansfield. To said Wharton Emerson, the rest of my household furniture at 21. Also my manor of Upton, Co. Nottm., and lands there after my wife's death, the same being part of her jointure. Niece Alice, wife of Mr. Geo. Stow, in tail, all my lands etc., in Mansfield and Hucknall-under-Huthwait, Co. Nottm., being the son, next-of-kin of sd. deceased, to fulfil the said will and codicil for the use and during the minority of the said minor (William Simpson, George Mason and James Birch, esquires, and Thomas Hutton, gent., the exors. renouncing, as also Dorothy Emerson, widow and relict of the decd.) No Inventory exhibited, but Bond entered.

1744, March 31. Michael Bard Emerson, of Hessle. Admon. to Ann Phillis Emerson, his widow and relict. No Inventory exhibited, but Bond is entered. [Harthill Act Book.]

1746, May 14. Alexander Emerson, esqr., of East Retford. Admon. granted (by Decree of Court) to Geo. Jolland, gent., principal creditor (Elizabeth Emerson, the widow and relict, renouncing). No Inventory exhibited, but Bond entered.

1746, May 26. Tuition of the person and portion of Wharton Emerson, a minor, aged 6 years, the natural and lawful child of Alexander Emerson, late of East Retford, esqr., decd., granted to Elizth. Emerson, widow, his mother. Schedule exhibited and Bond entered.

Robert Amerson [of Stockton, in the parish of Bugthorpe], grasman. 17 March, 1674. [Bugthorpe Peculiar.] To be buried in Stockton churchyd. Son Seath, my house and yarde, and "one close called Dorland buckes, the highest end of litle formdell cloase that the waye lies through the Coman Right and the Kinges moore." John ffoster and his brother William ffoster, and Robert ffoster, the youngest, 20s. each at 21. William Amerson, son of Isable ffoster, 20s. at 21. Daurs. Isable and Jane, various furniture. Son Seath Amerson, exor. (Signed by mark. No seal.) Witnesses :—John Lund, Richard Lazinby, Robert Bolton.

Inventory, 13 May, 1675, of the goods of Robt. Amerson, of Stockton, decd., appraised by Rd. Lazenby, Geo. Thompson and Robt. Bolton. Total, £8 11s. 4d.

Bond, 10 March, 1675, by Seath Emerson of . . . . (illegible), Co. York, whelewrete, and John Lund, of Stockton, yeoman, in £30.

Bond, 19 March, 1686, by Ann Sampson, of East Retford, and Leonard Sampson of East Retford, in £36.

Richard Emerson, Barkston p. Sherburn. No date. Not found.

Richard Emerson, of Misterton. Will, 1675. [Dean and Chapter.] Not found.

All these Peculiar Wills are most difficult to find, being all unregistered. Possibly, if important, the two missing ones might still be found.

John Amerson, of Brotherton. [Registry of the Dean and Chapter, in York Minster.] 8 Nov., 1540. To be buried in my parish church earth. All my goods to wife Isabell, extrix. Witnesses :—Sr. Laurence Diconson, curate, John Bolton, senr., and John Harpham. Proved 23 May, 1542, by the extrix. Inventory, 38s. 11d.

Ralph Emerson, of North Allerton. 13 Aug., 1596. [XXVII., 80.] To be buried in Allerton churchyd., near where my wyfe was buried. To the poor, 5s. Daur. Elizth. Emerson and her heirs, the house that I dwell in. Daur. Agnes and her heirs the house that I did buy of Ralph Wilkinson, and the house wch. I did buy of Mr. Salvin. Daur. Ellinor's 4 sons, xx.s. Daur. Isabell's children, xx.s. Residue of goods to wyfe, Isabell Emerson, and daurs. Elizth. and Agnes, exxes. Witnesses :—Anthony Adson and Oswald Taylior. Proved 22nd Oct., 1597, by the widow.

* Robert Emerson, of South Burton. 31 March, 1566. [XVII.,640.] To be burd. near the pulpit at S. Burton. To the church, 3 belstrynges and xii.d., that the churchwardens owe unto me. Son Edward Emerson, a cottage and 6 acres of freehold land wh. I bought of Mr. Edward Crake. Brother John Emerson, a bee hyve. Xtofer Emerson's wife, a bee hyve. Son Edward to give to Jennet Stevenson a swarme of bees. Wife Ellen, the house that I dwell in, with 5 acres of land belongg. thereto, for her life. To every one of my sister's children, 4d. Witnesses of this my will, 4d. each. Residue to wife. Sons Xtofer and Edward, and daur. Jennet Stevenson, exors. Witnesses :—Edward Alford, my curate (xii.d.), Anthony Ferrer, John Buske, John Rosse. Proved at York, 17 April, 1567, by the exors. * There was a numerous family of Emmesons at Holme, in Spaldingmore. The name has been misspelt a few times in the Parish Register as Emerson, and one or two of the wills are headed Emerson, but most are correctly headed Emyson or Emison. The above testator appears to me to have belonged to that family, but I print his will, as possibly he was a true Emerson. I have not printed the Emyson wills.—P. H. E.

GENERAL SEARCH THROUGH THE INDEXES OF THE PECULIAR COURTS AT YORK.

Dean and Chapter, 1650—1756 : Emerson, Alice, Clifton, Will, 1670. Emmerson, John, Thorp Salvin, Inventory, 1675. Emmerson, Richard, Misterton, Will, missing. Vacancy, 1686—8 : Eamerson, Jacobus, Will, Aug., 1686. Emerson, Mart., Will, May, 1687. Dean and Chapter, and General Peculiars, 1438—1728 : Emerson, Lancelot, Shipton, adm., 1616. Emson, Richd., Barkston p. Sherburn, Inventory, no date. Ampleford Peculiar, 1666—1706 (Index not alphabetical) : No Emersons. Barnby Moor, 1668—1736 (Index not alphabetical) : No Emersons. Bugthorpe Peculiar, 1669—1789 (Index not alphabetical) : Emerson, Robert, Will, 1675. Holme, 1663—1703 (Index not alphabetical) : No Emersons. Langtoft, 1647—1788 (Index not alphabetical) : No Emersons. Massam, 1609—1707 (Index

not alphabetical): No Emersons. Archdeaconry of York, 1662—1839 (Index not alphabetical): No Emersons. North Newbald, 1633—1734 (Index not alphabetical): No Emersons. Osbaldwick, 1631—1739 (Index not alphabetical): No Emersons. Strensall, 1640—1739 (Index not alphabetical): No Emersons. Wistow, 1617—1707: No Emersons. Subdeanery, 1676—1729 (Index not alphabetical): No Emersons. Wetwang, 1658—1709 (Index not alphabetical): No Emersons. Wadworth, 1708—1760 (Index not alphabetical): No Emersons. Linton-on-Ouse: No Emersons. Prebendal Wills.—Ampleford, 1661—1827 (Index not alphabetical): No Emersons; Bugthorpe, 1669—1831 (Index not alphabetical): Amerson, Robt., Stockton, Will, 1675; Fenton: Emerson, Edwd., Milforth, Will, 1698; Husthwaite, 1661—1842 (Index not alphabetical): No Emersons; Riccall: No Emersons; Warthill, 1681—1837 (Index not alphabetical): No Emersons; Weighton, 1660—1856 (Index not alphabetical): No Emersons. Vacancy Wills.—1770—7: No Emersons; 1807—8: No Emersons: 1847: No Emersons. Dean and Chapter, 1757—1858: Emmerson, Mary, Bramham, widow, Will, 1806. General Peculiars, 1707—1858 (Index not alphabetical): No Emersons. Deanery, 1728—1858 (no Index before 1728, but an Act Book, 1684—1728): No Emersons since 1728. Consistory, 1660—1713: Emison, Rd., Gilberdike, Adm., 1685; 1713—1724: No Emersons; 1808—1854: No Emersons. South Cave, 1687—1858: No Emersons. Bishop Wilton, 1616—1858: No Emersons. Alne and Tollerton, 1601—1858 (Index not alphabetical): No Emersons. Selby, 1681—1858 (Index not alphabetical): No Emersons. Snaith, 1568—1719 (Not searched, there being many thousands of wills and no alphabetical Index). Archbishops Neile and Williams' Register, 1631—1648: I have a note that there is an Emerson will in this volume, but I have not searched the Archbp's. Registry *re* Emerson, at all; the Registrar charges 10s. 6d. per day for allowing a search. Dean and Chapter of York's Registry, 1321—1635 (No official Index): Amerson, John, Brotherton, 1542. Honour Court of Knaresbro', 1640—1800 (Wills in London): Emeson, Robt., Adm., Roll 26 (1700—8). Prerogative Act Books at York, 1589—1644: Emerson, Geo., White Hurworth, Durham diocese, Admon., 1631. Emerson, Wm., of Eastgate, par. Stanhoppe, Durham diocese, Admon., 1625. Emerson, Nicholas, of York, Admon., 1613. Emerson, Ralph, of Northallerton, Will, 1597.

CHESTER REGISTRY.

Abstract of the Will of Francis Emerson, of Upper Ffoulcoate, in Tottington, in the County of Lancaster, dated the tertio day of May, 1670 (Miller). After payment of debts, etc., he divides his estate into three equal parts. First part to his Wife Elizabeth, another 3rd part to his Sons Peter and Joseph, and the remaining 3rd part (commonly called the deaths part) he takes unto himself and wholly gave the same unto his said Son Peter. By a Deed of Surrender (bearing even date with his Will) he according to the custom of the Manor of Tottington surrenderd. his estate (consisting of 1 barne and certain closes of ancient copyhold land called Neatherheyhead, the Neatherhey meadow, the Calf coate meadow, the Leigh Lounds in the Kilnefield, and the Hagge containing 5 acres and 10 falls; also a close of the new Improvement called Raddishes Wallbanck, and 1 rood 30 falls, and also 3 acres of land called Holehouse meadows) into the hands of John Coupe, of Heathyhill in Elton, in the County of Lancaster, yeoman, to be held by him according to his the said Testator's Will. The Exor. hereafter named to have power to sell so much land as will enable him to make up the whole portion of his said Son Peter's share to Four Score and eight pounds. The residue of the lands to go to his said son Joseph, his heirs and assigns for ever, anything to the Contrary notwithstanding. Appoints his Wife Elizabeth Sole Executrix, who proved the Will on the 18th Novr., 1671. Witnesses:—Jeremiah Ainsworth, Edmund Bury. Inventory filed gives total estate at £62 18s. 4d. Signed by Thomas Nabbes, John Romesbotham, Thomas Bridge and William Booth.

Abstract of the Will of Hugh Emmerson, of Wiche* Malbanke, in the County of Chester, Joyner, dated Fyfte May, 1638. After payment of debts, funeral expenses, etc., the rest and residue of goods moveable and unmoveable he leaves to his Son Richard. Providing his said Son Richard should die before attaining 14 years of age, the undisposed of residue to be equally divided between and amongst all and every the children of Henry Maddocke, Pepp Street, Joyner, and Eldred Cartwright, deceased. Appoints Thomas Tenche, of Wiche Malbanke, Sole Exor., and Elizabeth Mynshull, Widow, Overseer. Witnesses:—Thomas Malbone, Thomas Clowes, John Tench. Will proved 17th May, 1638. * Modern Nantwich.

An Inventory of the goods of Hughe Emmerson, dated 10th May, 1638, gives the whole estate at £78 14s. 8d. Funeral expenses and debts amounting to £11 9s. 7d. Date of death, 6th May, 1638. Signed by Lawrence Davies, John Wright, Thomas Beech, Rondall Smith.

LICHFIELD REGISTRY.

1544, Oct. 3. Amerson, William,* Curate of Foleshill, in the City of Coventry (Chaplen in Inventory). Will dated 16th June, 1544. To be buried in the Chapell of St. Lawrence, of Foleshill, in the new yle befor saint Oswald. Morgann, Ann; Bacon, Kateryn; Bacon, young Thomas; Fermer, Sr. John; Freman, Elizabeth; Torr, Rychard; Paynter, Alice; Amorson, Oswald; Amorson, Thomas; my brother, Executor. Freman, John; Torr, Rychard; Executors. Inventory, dated 19 June, 36 Henry VIII. Freman, John; Barton, Henry; Torr, Richard; appraisers. Amount, £11 13s. 4d. Proved by the sole Executor. *Vicar of Solihull (Birmingham).

Extract from Act Book. No other Record in the Registry. 11 Oct., 1557. The will of Thomas Amerson of the parish of St. Michael, Coventry, was proved by Paul Amerson, the Exor.

1560, May 30. Amerson, Thomas, of the City of Coventry, chandler. Will dated 26 July, 1559. "To be buried nygh to my father and mother theyr bodyes in Saynct nighelle's churche yarde." Nekson, Rychard; Lauranns, Elizabeth; Lauranns, William. "To my mother Wise, xii.d. To my brother Richard's wife, xii.d." Alyce, my wife; Amerson, Thomas; my son, Executors. Amerson, John; my brother, Supervisor. Rampton, John; Tanner, Supervisor. Taylyor, Margery; my servant. Amerson, Thomas; my child, under 21. Bruche, George; Vicar de Clerk, witness. Inventory, dated 26 Sept., 1559. Wysson, Ryc.; Roukton, Johan; Weyttley, Wyllyam; appraisers. Amount, £22 12s. 8d. Proved by Alice, the Relict. Power to Thomas the Son.

Extract from Act Book. No other Record in the Registry. 26 Mar., 1601. Administration of William Emerson and Felicia, his wife, of the parish of All Saints, Derby, granted to Elizabeth Emerson, the Daughter.

Extract from Act Book. No other Record in the Registry. 7 April, 1608. Administration of John Emerson the elder and Margaret his wife, of the parish of Trinity, Coventry, was granted to John Emerson, the Son.

1616, Sept. 14. Emerson, John, of Kersley, in the City of Coventry, yeoman. Will dated 7 March, 1615. To be buried in the Churchyard of St. Michael, Coventry. Emerson, Anne, my brother Oswald's daughter; Woolf, William; Turner, Magdalen, my servant; Oswald my son, Katherine my wife, sole Executrix, mansion house land, etc., in Keresley. Emerson, Oswald; Emerson, Pawle; my Brethren, Supervisors. Burdett, Richard; Turnor, Magdalen; witnesses. Inventory, dated 23 March, 1615. Treene, Richard; Kinge, Ralph; Burdett, Richard; of Keresley, Gent., appraisers. Amount, £36 3s. 10d. Proved by the sole Executrix.

1622, July 5. Emmerson, Thomas, of St. Michaels, Coventry. Administration granted to Emerson, Catherine, of Coventry, the Relict. Inventory, dated 4 April, 1622. Ollyver, George; Miller, Thomas; Bagott, George; appraisers. Amount, £6 0s. 7d.

1650. Emerson, Oswald, of the parish of Trinity, Coventry. Administration granted to Emerson als. Tompson, Sara (wife of John Tompson), the Daughter of the deceased. Tompson, John, of Coventry, Chandler, Surety. Inventory, dated 1 July, 1651. Testator died 8 April, 1650. Chambers, Thomas; Lucas, Michael; Stretton, William, jun.; appraisers. Amount, £14 15s. 8d.

LEICESTER REGISTRY.

Robert Shakyspeyre als. eymerson. In dei nomine, Amen, the iiij. day of Julij the yere of our lorde god mlcccccxvj. I, Robt. Shakyspeyre, eywesse callyd Robt. eymerson, of hathurne, of hole mynde and gude memory, nen the less seke in body, make and declare here my last will and testatment in forme folyng: fyrst I be qweth my sowle unto almyghty god and to oure blessydge lady set. mare, and to all the holy cupeny in heyvyn, and my body to be buried wt. in the church of ye holy apostoles pet. and paule in hathurne, in sent (? Aithery) quere, a fowre ye Image of sent Nycholas. Also I beqweth in ye name of my mortuarye my best gud aft. ye custum and ryght of holy churche. Also I beqwethe unto my mother church of lyncoln, iiij.d. Also I beqweth unto hathurne churche a towiche ye pce. ij.s. viij.d. Also I beqwethe unto ye hye autur of hathurne church for necligence of tythys and offyryngs, xij.d. Also I bequethe unto ye church of long Whatton a towrche ye pce. ij.s. viij.d. Also I beqwethe unto ye church of dyxley a towrche ye pce. ij.s. viij.d Also I bequethe unto ye church of Stanforth a towrche ye pce. ij.s. viij.d. Also I bequethe unto ye churche of Normanton super foram a towrche ye pce. ij.s. viij.d. Also I beqwethe unto ye church of Lowton a towrche ye pce.

ijs. viij.d. Also I beqwethe unto ye church of Hathurne for breykyng of ye grownde yr. as my body shall lye, vj.s. viij.d. Also I beqweth unto oure lady autur ix.d. Also I beqwethe unto sent Katheryn aut. oy. ix.d. Also I beqweth be thys my last will to have an ownest seculare pryst to syng for ye helth of my sowle and all crystyn sowles for ye space of holl yer, and evy. weke in ye yer what dey yt. I shall depte. forth of this psent. lyff to have masse of requiem and owuer nyght derrege wt. ix.l. and comedacion for ye helthe of my sowle and all crysten sowles, and a tretall. wt. in ye yere wt. in ye oct. of same fest, and he to have for his serves vj. marke and vj.s. viij.d. wt. in the pyshe. church of hathurne uppe rysyng and downe lyeyng. Also I bequeth to ye abbot of Garyngdon, viij.d., and evy. moke. wt. in ye place syngular, viij.d. Also I bequeth to ye p'oryese. of langley, xij d., and evy. relygyus syst. wt. in ye place iiijd. Also I bequethe unto ye p'oryese. of derbe xij.d., and evy. ryleg. syst. wt. in ye place, syngulare, iiij.d. Also I bequethe unto Margaret Rycharson, iiij. marks and a shepe female. Also I bequethe unto John Shakyspeyre, vj.s. viij.d., and ij. oxen calves and a shepe female. Also I bequethe unto Wyllm. Shakyspeyre, my servant, iij.s. iiij.d., a bullowke, a mare and a shepe female. Also I bequethe unto Alys lucas, vj.s. viij.d., a browne hefar and a shepe female. Also I bequethe unto ij. meydyns of John crosse wyff dowtrs. evy. of them ix.d. and a shepe female. Also I bequethe unto John Skakyspeyre dowghter to eyr. of them iij.s. iiij.d. and a shepe female. Also I beqwethe unto John burre dowghters to eyr of them vj.s. viij.d. and a shepe female. Also I beqwethe to Wyllm. lucas ix.d Also I bequethe unto evy. godchyld yt. can be pryd. of Ryght be ye man or woman, a shepe female. Also I bequethe to Agnes Spadman ix.d. or a shepe. Also I beqweth to Wyllm. cache (or cathe) xij.d. Also ye resedew of all my gods and catell not beqwethyde, my wyll pformyde. and my detts peyde, I gyffe them unto Alys my wyffe and John Barwell, ye whych I make my trwe and lawfull executores, and Sir Edwarde ffysher and thomas marshall, gyntylman, I make supvysores. of ys my last wyll and testyment, to be trewly pformyde. and keppyd, and they to have for yr. labur iij.s. iiij.d. Thes beyng wytnesse :—Sir edwarde ffysher, alys my wyff, Jamys brown, Wyllm. shakyspeyre, John Shakyspeyre, Wyllm. cache, Agnes Spadema, alys lucas. Proved before Richard Brokgsby, Bachelour of Decrees, the official of the Ven. Henry Wilcock, Doctor of Lawes and Archdeacon of Leicester, in Humberston parish church, on the 16th September, 1516, and administration committed to the executors in the will named. Inventory exhibited, xiij.s. iiij.d. Register Book, Series I., 1495—1536 ; folio 56.

LINCOLN REGISTRY.

Richard Emerson, of Swaby, Co. Linc., husbandman. 12 July, 1534. To the church of St. Nicholas, xij.d. To the church of St. Margaret, Swaby, viij.d. To or. lady's church of Lincoln, iiij.d. To Elizth., my dowghter, my wife's best gown. Daurs. Agnes and Jenet. Son Robert. I will that everychou of them be other exors. Walter Long and William Tayllor, exors. Proved 16 Oct., 1534.

John Emerson, of Folkingham, Co. Linc., Gentylman. 6 March, 1540. To be buried in ye channcell of ye church of Folkingham. To said church, vj.s. viij.d. Sonne Gyles. My Wyffe Anne, extrix. My VI. chyldren. Daurs. Anne and Helen. Sonne George. To my wyffe, 8 cottages in Folkingham during her widowhood. My cosen, Willm. Emerson, of London. Proved 28 April, 1541.

Thomas Emerson, of Cadneye, in the Diocese of Lincoln. 28 May, 1561. To be buried at Cadney. Sonnes William Emerson and Richd. Emerson. Margaret Emerson. Daur. Elizth. Daur. Jennett. Henry Emerson, xij.d. Wife Margaret and son Thomas, exors. Proved 17 July, 1561.

Richard Emerson, of Howsam, in the paryshe of Cadney, Co. Lincoln, husbandman. 11 Nov., 1578. To be buried at Cadney. Son Edward Emerson, £5. Daurs. Anne Emerson and Elizth., xl.s. each. Every one of the rest of my daurs., that is to say, Isabell, Margaret, Jane, Mary and Elenor. My sister Smyth's 2 children, xij.d. Brother Thomas Emerson, his son Edward and his 2 daurs. Thomas Emerson the younger, xij.d. My sister Humfrey. Wife Anne, extrix. Supervisors, Alexander Emerson and my brother, Antonie Maydenwell. Proved 26 Sept., 1579.

John Emerson, of Glamforth Bridges. 25 May, 1582. To be buried at Wrawby. To the church at Wrawby, iiij.d. My servant, Richard Emerson. Mother-in-law, Elizth. Arnall. Wife, Anne Emerson, extrix. Proved 13 June, 1582.

John Emmerson, of Thedlethorpe, Co. Lincoln, labourer. 17 January, 1584. To be buried at Thedlethorpe. To the church of Thedlethorpe, xij.d. Sonne Thomas, li.iiij. vj.s. viij.d. Wife Elizth. and son Robert, supervisors. Proved 30 March, 1585.

John Emerson, of Fulstropp, in Trustropp, Co. Lincoln. 7 Jan., 1584. Brother Thomas Johnson, of Mablethorpe. and his son, Robert Johnson. Wife Alice, extrix. Brother Thos. Johnson, supervisor. Proved 30 March, 1588.

Richard Emerson, of Gouxhill. 21 Nov., 1586. To be buried at Gouxhill. To the poor of Gouxhill, xij.d. Sounes Samuell Emerson, George E., Richard E. and John E., v.li. each. Daur. Marie Emerson, v.li. Wife Hellen Emerson, extrix. To Alexander Emerson, x.li. Proved 10 Feb., 1586.

Thomas Emerson, of Howsame. 3 Jan., 1588. Daurs. Elizth. and Alice, £5 each. Thomas Emerson, half a quarter of barley. Sister Helen Smyth. Sonne Edward Emerson, £10. To the church of Cadney, xij.d. My wife, extrix. Proved 17 April, 1589.

William Emersone, of Swaton, Co. Lincoln, carpenter. 10 April, 1597. Sonne-in-law, Nicholas Bell, xx.s. Sonne-in-law, Richard Bell, xxx.s. To everyone of my brother Thomas Emerson's children, of Swaton, 5d. Brother John's children, 5d. each. My mother, iij.s. iiij.d. My sister Chappell, xx.d. Wife Elizth., extrix. Proved 16 June, 1597.

Elizebethe Emmersonne, of Thedlethorpe, All Saintes, Co. Lincoln, widdow. 4 Jan., 1595. Sone Thomas Emmerson, 40s. Sonne Robert Emerson. Nicholas Emerson, my sonne Robert's sonne. Thomas Emerson, my sonne Roberte's childe. John Emerson, sone likewise to my sone Roberte, 20s. Elizth. Emersonne, daur. to my said sone Robert. To my sister, one ewe. My mother Saull. Daur. Allice Emmerson, 2 ewes. Sonne, Robte. Emmerson, exor. Proved 21 April, 1596, by Alice Emmerson, widow.

Robert Emerson, of Thedlethorpe [St.] Helen, laborer. 6th Feb., 1595. Eldest sonne Nicolas, sonne John, daur. Elizth. and sonne Thomas, 20s. each. Supervisor, Mr. Symonds. Wife Alice, extrix. My brother Thomas. My neighbour, Geo. Saull, iij.s. iiij.d. Proved 20 April, 1596.

Edwarde Emersonne, of Howsam, husbandman. 2 April, 1593. Brother-in-law, Edward Emerson. Wife Elizth. Emersonne, extrix. Proved 23 May, 1593.

Alice Emmersone, of ffirsbie, widowe. 8 Feb., 1593. Sonne Leonarde Aryram and his wief. Sonne Richard Holland. Thomas Emersone, my daur. Seale's sonne. Cousine Andrew Lawghton. Sonne Edward Holland, exor. Proved 3 Oct., 1793.

Robert Emerson, of Mablethorpe, Co. Linc., yeoman. 16 May, 1599. To the Cathedral Church of Lincoln, xij.d. To the church of Mablethorpe, xij.d. Wife Joane, xxv.li. Sonne Thomas Emerson, all my landes. Brother, Thomas Maddyson, exor. Proved 30th June, 1600, by Thomas Maddison.

John Emerson, of Wootton, Co. Linc., husbn. 7 Aug., 1614. To be buried at Wootton. My two children, John and Anne, seaven score pounds. My said daur's. grandmother Gillett. Poor of Wootton, 5s., and poor of Thornton, 5s., to be paid them yearly for the space of 12 yeares. Wife, Ursula Emerson, 20s. yearly for the space of 12 yeares or longer, according to her need. Children of Samuell, Richard and George Emerson, my naturall brethren. My said brother, Samuel Emerson, of Goxhill, yeoman. John Hunter, of Thornton, one ewe, to be put forth for the use of the children of my said brother, John Hunter. Brother, George Emerson, of Wootton, laborer. Wife Ursula, extrix. Proved 26 Oct., 1624, by the extrix.

John Emerson, of Howsam, Co. Linc., yeoman. 23 March, 1613. My wife and three children, namely, Alexander Emerson and Thomas Emerson, my sonnes, and Alice Emerson, my daur. Brother's sonnes, Alexander and Michaell Emerson, the sonnes of my brother, Robert Emerson, ij.s. vj.d., to buy them bowes and arrowes wthall. All the children of my sister Anne, xij.d. Wife Isabel, extrix. Proved 19 May, 1614, by the extrix.

An Emerson, of Addlethorpe, Co. Linc., widow. 23 March, 1617. To Christopher Geernewicke, my brother's sonne, ij.s. vj.d. George Hoglam and Francis Hoglam, the children of my sister Francis Hoglam, ij.s. vj.d. each. Cousin William Geernewicke. Cousin Thomas Geernewicke, of Hogsthorpe, exor. Proved 24 April, 1617, by the exor.

Alice Emerson, of Gayton, Co. Linc., widdowe. 26 July, 1620. To Anne Emerson and John Emerson, my sonne Jonas his children, 40s. Alice Hopkinson and Josias Hopkinson, the children of my daur. Abigaile Hopkinson, deceased, 20s. To Richard Emerson, Thomas Emerson and Jonas Emerson, my sonnes, a shillinge. Son Edward Emerson, exor. Proved 3 May, 1620 [*sic*] by the exor.

John Emerson, of Bondby. 14 Dec., 1624. To be buried at Bondby. To the church of Bondby, xij.d. To the poor there, vj.s. viij.d. Sone, George Emerson, £40. Daur., Ann Emerson, £40. Sister's son, Richard Grene. Sister Hawytte, 5s. Brother William Emerson. Sister Isabel. Wife Barbara, extrix. Proved 11 Jan., 1624.

George Emerson, of East Raisin, cordwinder. 7 April, 1629. Daur. Elizth. Emerson. Brother Willm. Emerson, 12 pence. Wife Joyes Emerson, extrix. Proved 20 Oct., 1629.

Isaac Emerson, of Algarkirk, husbn. 29 June, 1630. To be buried at Algarkirk. To eyther of the sonnes of Thomas Emerson, my late brother, Thomas and John. Thomas, the son of William Emerson. Kinsman, George Brewer, of Kirton. Poor of Algarkirk, iij.s. Wife Ellen, extrix. Proved 7 Feb., 1630.

Jonas Emerson, of Gayton-in-the-Marsh, husbn. 18 May, 1635. To be buried at Gayton. Legacy of 40s. given to my daur. Anne by my mother at her decease, and another legacy to my son John, deceased. Brother Edward Emerson. Daur. Marie, £10. Son Steven, £15. Daur. Alice, £10. Daur. Susan, £10. Daur. Elizth, £10. Daur. Eadith, £10. The above legacies to be paid at 21. Wife Alice, extrix. Proved 16 June, 1635.

Alice Emerson, of Gayton, widow. 7 April, 1642. My brother John Wrangle. William Emerson, sonn to my brother Edward Emerson, and my sayd brother's daur. Alice. Daur.-in-law, Anne Emmerson, towards the augmentaion. of the porion. given unto her by her father, my husband, at his death, fortye shillings. My six children, Steven, Marie, Alice, Susan, Elizth. and Judith. Son, Steven Emerson, exor. Supervisors, my welb loved brother and friend, Edward Emerson, and George Page, of Gaiton aforesaid. Proved 28 April, 1642, by Edward Emerson, of Gaiton.

John Emmerson, of Worletty. 19 Feb., 1644. Wife Avis. My two children, Dorothy and John Emerson. Sonn-in-law, Robert Hall. Daur.-in-law, Ellen Hall, 1s., and to her sister, Mary Hall, 1s. Daur.-in-law, Ann Hall. Sister, Ann Emerson. Brother, Richard Emerson. Proved 13 March, 1644.

John Emersone, of Hotoft, Co. Lincoln. 1590. Admon. to widow Margaret. Inventory, £71 16s. 8d. [Unindexed Bonds.]

Alexander Emerson, of Laceby, gentleman. 21 March, 1677. To be buried in the middle alley of Searby church. Brother, Thomas Emerson, all my lands and tenements at Caistor, he paying £10 a year to my brother, Michael Emerson, if ever he return. Daurs. Mildred and Elizth., my half of Goxhill Rectory and my manor of Uulsby. Wife, extrix. Seal (the Lincoln Emersons' arms). Proved 18 April, 1678, by Bridget Emerson, the widow.

Thos. Emerson, of Searby, Co. Lincoln. 15 November, 1553. [Dean and Chapter, 1553, fo. 151.] Admon. to widow Isabella. Sureties, Geo. Emerson, of Wrawby, and William Woode, of Grysby, husbandmen.

Edward Emerson, of Searby, Co. Lincoln. 1 May, 1554. [Dean and Chapter, 1554, fo. 153.] Wife Elizth., 20 marks. Children Helene, Aleson, Elizth., Dorothe; also William and Marye, children of my latter wife. Exors., William Swallowe, clerk, and George Emerson. Proved 9 May, 1554.

George Emerson, of Searby, Co. Linc., husbandman. 18 Oct., 1573. [Dean and Chapter, 1574, fo. 85.] To be buried in Searby church. Daurs. Helen, Alice, Elizth. and Marye. Sons Richard and Alexander Emerson. Brother Philip Emerson. Proved 10 March, 1574.

Richard Emerson, of Scredington, Co. Linc., cotier. 9 April, 1577. [Dean and Chapter, 1577, fo. 199.] To be buried in Scredington churchyard. Sons William, John, Thomas and Edward Emerson, all under 16. Daur. Mabel. Wife Johne. Proved 17 May, 1577.

ADMINISTRATIONS FROM THE ORIGINAL BONDS AT LINCOLN.

[NO INDEX BEFORE 1700.]

Sibilla Brocklesby alias Emerson, of Coxwold, Co. Lincoln. 1590. Admon. to Thomas Brocklesby, son of deceased. Inventory, £14 19s. 0d.

George Emerson, of Howsame, Co. Lincoln. 1591, Aug. 2. Admon. to Agnes, widow of decd. Inventory, £34 12s. 2d.

John Emerson, of Middle Rasen, Co. Linc. 1615. Admon. to Anne, widow of decd. Inventory, £22 16s. 10d.

Alexander Emersonne, junior, of the City of Lincoln. [Dean and Chapter, 1620—32, fo. 293.] 7 March, 1629. To be buried in St. Mary Magdalen's churchyard, near my first borne child, Alexander. Rings to father, Alexander Emersonne, and mother. Father-in-law, Christopher Nevell, and his children, Thomas and Anne Nevell. Son Thomas Emersonne. Wife Katherine, extrix. Proved 10 April, 1630.

Elizabeth Emerson, of Owmby in Searbie, Co. Lincoln, spinster. 30 Dec., 1610. [Dean and Chapter, 1610, fo. 15.] To be buried in Searbie churchyard. Edward Chinney, John and Richard Chinney, Robert Chinney and Marie, the five children of my brother-in-law, Robert Chinney. Overseers, John Good and Thomas Marshall. Witnesses:—Robert Marshall, Edward Green and Thomas Berrie. Proved 15 Jan., 1610—1611.

Jenett Emersonne, of Serebie, Co. Linc., widow. 24 May, 1612. [Dean and Chapter, 1612, fo. 47.] To be buried in Serebye Church, near my late husband, Alexander Emersonne. Sons John Emersonne, Thomas Emersonne and Michael Emersonne. Daur. Anne Fotherby. Daur.-in-law Agnes Emersonne. Overseers, Thomas Bury, Clerk, and Robert Emersonne. Proved 19 June, 1612.

CAISTOR PECULIAR.

Thomas Emerson, of Caistor. 8 March, 1710. Admon. granted to Alexander Emerson and Thomas Emerson, sons of deceased.

Alice Emerson. 15 August, 1716. Tuition Bond, by George Wharton, conditioned to faithfully perform the office and trust of a guardian to Alice Emerson, a minor, the natural and lawful daughter of Alice Emerson, late of Caistor, decd., the late wife of Alexander Emerson, late of the same place, also decd. (during her minority).

NEW SLEAFORD PECULIAR.

Thomas Emerson, of Sleaford, barber. 18 July, 1708. My two daurs. Alice and Elizth. Wife Elizth. Emerson, sole extrix. Proved at Sleaford, 6 Sept., 1708.

COURT OF THE ARCHDEACON OF STOW.

Thomas Emerson, of Burringham. 8 June, 1629. Admon. of the goods and chattels of Thomas Emerson, of Burringham, decd., granted to Alexander Emerson, the natural and lawful brother of the decd.

COURT OF THE DEAN AND CHAPTER.

Thomas Emerson, of Caistor, gent. 7 Nov., 1667. To be buried at Searby. To my daur. Mildred and her heirs, all my land, arable, meadow and pasture in Ulceby, and if she die under 21, then same to be divided between my two sons, Thomas and Michael. My eldest son Alexander Emerson. Wife [not named] extrix. Proved 12 Dec., 1667.

Michael Emmerson, of North Kelsey, gent. 28 July, 1702. Admon. granted to Ann Emmerson, the relict of decd. Surety, Thomas Emerson, of Caistor.

Thomas Emerson, of Howsham, in the parish of Cadney, yeoman. 20 May, 1656. To be buried in the church of Cadney near unto the place where my wife was buried. To Edward Emerson, my sonne, £20. Son Thomas Emerson, £20. Son Michaell, £5. Daur. Elizth. Lilforth. Son Robert Emerson, £5. Daur. Elizth. Grantham, 20s. Daur. Isabell Grantham, 3s. 4d., to be paid out of my lands and tenements in Howsham. Grandchild Ann Wright. Son John Emerson, sole exor. Proved 29 Sept., 1661.

Edward Emmerson, of Burgh-in-the-Marsh, laborer. 5 Oct., 1651. Son, Thomas Emmerson, £4. Youngest daur. Mary Emmerson. Eldest daur. Anne Emmerson, extrix. No probate [? 1663].

Mary Emerson, of Gayton-le-Marsh, widow. 5 Aug., 1666. Son Thomas Emerson, 20s. Daur. Dorothy Johnson. Son Edward Emerson, 20s. Daur. Alice. Son William, £15. Grandchild Edward Emerson. Son Jonas, exor. Proved 24 April. 1667.

Alexander Emerson, of Caster [Caistor], esquire. 12 Sept., 1666. To be buried in the North Ile of Barnetby Church, "near the bones of my wives deceased frendes, where I hope her bodie will come to be interred also." My close of meadow in North Kelsey . . . to my 2 daurs., Ester and Susanna. Eldest son Thomas Emerson, his own daughter Mildred. Wife Frances, all the part which to me belongeth of the Mannor of Barnetby. Son Alexander. Son Michael. Grandchild Thomas Emerson. Daur. Frances. Son Bernard. Daurs. Emerson, Sands, Smyth and Barnard, 20s. each for rings. Grandchild Alexander E., and his brothers. Grandchild John Farrer. Proved 7 Aug., 1667.

George Emerson, of Saxby, yeoman. 25 March, 1671. Wife Anne, £20. Second son, Robert, £10 (under 21). Daur. Anne, 5s. Grandchild John Norman. Grandchild, George England. Grandchild Cutsworth. Eldest son Michael, the residue, and he to be exor. Proved 6 Oct., 1671.

John Emerson, of Wrangle, husbandman. 9 Dec., 1676. Daur. Ann Emerson, £10. Wife Ann Emerson, extrix. Proved 2 May, 1677.

Alexander Emerson, of Laceby, gent. 21 March, 1677. To be buried in the middle alley of Searbye church. Brother Thomas Emerson, all my lands, etc., at Caister, he paying to my brother Michael Emerson if ever he return, £10 a year. Daurs. Mildred and Elizth., my half of Goxhill Rectory and my manor of Uulsby [Ulceby]. Wife,* extrix. [not named]. (Signed.) (Seal—arms of Lincoln Emersons.) Proved 18 April, 1678, by widow, Bridget Emerson. * Her will was proved 21 April, 1720.

Michael Emerson, of Saxby, farmer. 14 April, 1682. Daur. Mary Emerson. Son Symon Emerson.† Son John Emerson. Wife Margaret. Brother Robert Emerson,§ of Barrow. Nephew John Norman. Sister Anne Cottsworth. Wife Margaret, extrix. Proved [? 26] April,

1682. † His will was proved 27 Oct., 1750. § His will proved 20 Sept., 1713.

Thomas Emerson, of Brandicar, in the parish of Cadney, grasman. 1 Nov., 1681. Son Edward Emerson, £20. Daur. Ann Emerson. Wife Ann, extrix. Proved 26 April, 1682.

Edward Emerson, of Howsham, in the parish of Cadney, husbandman. 1 March, 1684. To be buried as near my son Nich. as may be. Son John Emerson. Son-in-law, Thomas Manier. Brother John Emerson. Residue of goods to wife Sarah, extrix. Cousin Michael Weekley. Niece Ann Wright. Proved 16 May, 1685.

John Emerson, of Howsham, in the parish of Cadney, yeoman. 27 Jan., 1691. John Emerson, son of my brother, Edward Emerson. John Emerson, son of my brother Thomas. Edward Emerson, son of the sd. Thomas Emerson. John Emerson, Edward Emerson and Anne, children of the said Thos. E. Residue to John E., son of Edwd. E., exor. Proved 9 April, 1692, by John Emerson.

Edward Emerson, of Gayton, husbandman. 20 Feb., 1696. Son Jonas Emerson, £25. Eldest daur. Mary Stafford, 5s., and to her five children, 5s. each. Son-in-law Thomas Bailes. Son-in-law John Crawford. Wife Dorcas, extrix. Proved 11 May, 1696.

Edward Emmerson, of Tydd St. Mary. 9 March, 1695—6. Wife, Lydia Emerson. My two daurs. Elizth. Emerson and Sarah Emerson. John Emerson, my brother Henry Emerson's son, and his sister, Martha Emerson. Edward Emerson, my sister Ann Emerson's son. Wife, sole extrix. Proved 15 May, 1696.

George Emerson, of Gayton-in-ye-Marsh, husbandman. 17 June, 1695. Daur. Hester, £5. Sons Jonas and Martin, £5 each. Son George. Kinsman John Taylor. Wife Elizth., extrix. Proved 11 May, 1696.

Thomas Emerson, of Sutton, widower. 8 March, 1686. Brother Nathaniel Emerson, 5s. Daur. Ann Emerson, £15. Sister Elizth. Greewood, 5s. Daur. Elizth. Grant, now wife of Samuell Grant, of Trustthorpe, extrix. Proved 19 April, 1697, at Louth.

Enos Emerson, of Scotter, mason. 30 May, 1699. Son Enos Emerson. Daurs. Mary Emerson and Susannah Emerson. Wife Joan Emerson, extrix. Proved 25 Oct., 1699, in the Court of the Archdeacon of Stow.

Bridget Emerson, of Ulceby, Co. Lincoln, widow, have been for many years past afflicted with many weaknesses, wch. now soe much increased, am incapable of any worldly concerns, onely waiting for Death, my happy inlet into eternal Blisse, through ye merits of my onely Saviour and blessed redeemer Jesus Christ, And for my intirre Conversation with my gracious God and due preparation for my great and good change, I have devested myself of all my worldly enjoyments to prevent distractions in my heavenly devotions; therefore know ye that the aboved. reason and the natural affection, etc., for my two onely daughters Mildred and Elizabeth:—To sd. Mildred, great fine "hollon" sheet and the "linen sheet without a seem." To daur. Elizabeth, the other "hollon" sheet, wedding ring and one piece of healing gold, and the residue to said daurs. equally. Dated 29 Feb., 1711, giving them possession by the delivery of a silver salt to each. B. Emerson. Witnesses:—W. Long, Thomas Cooke, An O. Johnson. Proved 21st April, 172[illegible], in the Chancellors Court, Lincoln. Book 1720, No. 2. No. 90 original will.

NORTHAMPTON PROBATE REGISTRY TO 1700.

Will of Christopher Emerson, Parson and Rector of Cosgrove. Dated January 3rd, 1592. Directs body to be buried in the "Chancell or Queere" of Cosgrove Church. Bequests of money to sons Samuel, Thomas and Joseph, and to daughter Susan Tomkins, wife of George Tomkins. Bequests to 4 sons of Edward Addington, viz., Methusala, Cutbeard, Josuahe and Andrewe. To Edwarde Emerson, son of Cutbeard Emerson, "one arke or garner now standinge in the kilne house. Bequests of articles of household furniture to Anne Emerson, daughter of said Cutbeard; to Anne Tompkines, daughter of George Tompkins; to Thomas Emerson, son of William Emerson. To each of the other children of George Tompkins, viz., Ales, Dorithie, Philip and Thomas, a Ewe. To John Earle, Thomas French, Edward French, Thomas Smythe, John More, Gabriel Ludgate, William Howe and Joane Milgate, a bushel of barley apiece. Residue to Joane, his wife, and William, his son, whom he appoints Executors, and Hugh Emerson and Robert Emerson, his brothers, Supervisors. (Signed) Christopher Emerson, Clarke. Witnesses:—Matthew Kenn, Cuthbard Emerson, William Knowles, Clarke, Hugh Emerson. Proved xvi. February, 1593.

Will of Joseph Emerson, of Northampton, Millwright. Dated 17th October, 1684. Bequeaths one shilling to son Benjamin. Residue to wife Eleanor, whom he appoints sole Executrix. Witnesses:—Robert Hunt, Ann Hunt, his wife, J. Fowler, Sen.

By Codicil dated 15th December, 1686. Articles of furniture are bequeathed to daughter Elizabeth, and £5 to Benjamin (son). [Not signed or witnessed.] Proved 24th December, 1686.

Will of Hugh Emerson, of Cosgrove, Northamptonshire, Yeoman. Dated xi.th November, 1596. Directs body to be buried in Cosgrove Church. Bequeaths to Agnes, his wife, and Francis Emerson his son, "my messuage, lease, tenement and graunt of lease lyinge and beinge wthin. the towne and fields of Cosgrove wch. I have barganed, farmed and taken of and wth. the Right Worshipfull Sr. Arthure Threckmorte, Knight." Also to son Francis a Cottage at Cosgrove, "wch. I bought of my kinsman, William Neale." To Nathaniell Durhm., "one heefor worth xl.s." To Anne Earle, daughter of Richard Earle, another heefor. To Willm. Emerson, son of Francis Emerson, a "blacke heefor." Other bequests to Hugh, son of Francis, Raphaell, son of Francis. To 5 children of son Thomas Emerson. To maidservant, Anne French. Residue to wife and son Francis, who are appointed Executors. Ordains as Overseers, Nicholas Burbery, Yeoman, and Robert Emerson, brother. Witnesses:—Willm. Bradshawe, pson. of Cosgrove, Robt. Emerson and Nicholas Burbery. Proved in the Consistory Court of Peterborough, 16 April, 1602.

PETERBOROUGH REGISTRY.

(CAMBRIDGE WILLS.)

Richard Emyson, of Cottenham, Cambs. (condition not stated), to be buried in Parish Churchyard of Cottenham (Executors to collect a debt of £3 of Robert Slye, of Stynes; 20s. of Alexander Smith). To my Wife and Son John and Son Richard. Elizabeth my Daughter to have Lease of my house in Church End, and enter immediately after my decease. My daughter-in-law Alice. Will dated 20 May, 1567; proved 13 June, 1567.

John Emerson, of Cottenham, Cambs., Husbandman. To be buried in Churchyard at Cottenham. Bequeaths house and all things belonging unto Robert Rivers and John Essex, two of the tenants of the Mannor of Crowland, upon trust to the use of my Wife until my Son William Emerson becomes 23 years, provided at that time she pay to either of my Sons John and Thomas £10. I give unto Francis Emerson one calf, to be delivered to my brother Richard for the use of his Son when it is fit to be weaned. I give unto everyone of my Sister Phillipes and my Sister Frances' children, one bushel of barley apiece. I give unto John Bracke, 1 rood of barl-y. Residue to his Wife. Will made 1st June, 1591. (Wife's name not given.) Proved 19 June, 1591.

Richard Emison, of Cottenham, Cambs., Husbandman. To Hellen my Wife (Sole Executrix), my copyhold tenement wherein I dwell until Francis my Son do attaine 21 years, when it shall become his to pay to my Daughter Mary the sum of £10 when she attains 21 years of age. Will dated 13 Dec., 1602; proved 22 Jan., 1602.

Thomas Emmesum, of Comberton, Cambs., Carpendere. To be buried in the Parish Church yard of Comberton. I give unto William, my Son, xii.d. To John, my Son, my Tools and a Stock of Bees. To Daughter Elizabeth, a Cupboard in the Chamber and the biggest Hutch. Martha, a Hutch and a Stock of Bees. Helen a Cupboard and a Stock of Bees. The residue to Marie, my Wife, and Sole Executrix. Will dated 12 June, 1633; proved July 4th, 1633.

Maria (or Mary) Emmerson, of Comberton, Cambs., Widdow. To be buried in Parish Church Yard of Comberton. To my Son John, a pair of sheets. To my Daughter Ellen (Sole Executrix) the residue. Will dated Dec. 18, 1637; proved 20 Jan., 1637.

William Emerson, of Cottenham, Cambs., Yeoman. To my Son John, all my goods and make him Sole Executor. Proved 26th day of October, 1661; dated Oct. 5, 1661.

William Emerson, of Trumpington, Cambs., Husbandman. To my eldest Son William, £5. To my Son William,* one great chest. To my Son Francis, £5. To my Daughter Martha, £5. To my Daughter Sarah, £5. To my Daughter Judith, £7. To my grandchild Elizabeth Rule, £2, to be disposed of by William Rule, her Father. To my well beloved Wife Elizabeth and my Son-in-law, the residue. They to be Executors. Will dated 26 May, 1664; proved 23 June, 1665. * Two Williams. Probably the second is Wm. Rule.

John Emerson, of Cottenham, Cambs., Yeoman. To my Daughter Grace, £10. To my Son William, a Table. To my Son Richard, a bedstead and one Hutch, his Grandfather's. To my Wife Grace (Sole Executrix), the residue. Proved 6th day of January, 1668; dated 23rd Septr., 1668.

Richard Emmerson, the younger, of Cottenham, Cambs., Yeoman. To my Son Richard, £30. To my Wife Anne, my leasehold Cottage in use of Wm. Witham. To my Son John above Cottage if Wife dies and £5. To my Son

James, £30. To my Son Francis, a Copyhold Messuage in Cottenham (Sole Executor.) W. dated 16 Feb., 1668; W. proved 16 Jan., 1668.

Richard Emmerson, the Elder, of Cottenham, Cambs., Yeoman. To my Son William, a Messuage. To my Daughter Mary, the Wife of Edward Clerke, of Waterbeach, 20s. To my Wife Margaret, the residue (Sole Executrix). Will dated 11 July, 1677; proved Aug. 11, 1677.

William Emmerson, of Cottenham, Cambs., Yeoman. To my Sister Grace (Wife of John Marshall, of Rampton). To my Wife Ann, Copyhold Messuage (Sole Executrix). To my Nephew Henry Marshall, x. lambs. Will dated 26 June, 1683.

William Emerson the Elder, of Cottenham, Cambs., Yeoman. To my eldest Daughter Ann, one trundle bed, etc., and £5. To my youngest Daughter Margaret, a bed and £5. To my Wife Mary, the residue. Will dated May 30, 1681.

Christopher Emerson, of Ely, Watchman. To my Wife Elizabeth (Sole Executrix), a house at Hilgay, at the decease of Ursula Emerson, my Mother. To my Daughters Elizabeth and Mary and Ellen, a house wherein I dwell. To my Son Christopher, a house in Hillgay, in Norfolk. Will dated 6th April, 1679; proved 26 April, 1680.

Thomas Emmerson, of Chesterton, Cambs., Shepherd. To my Wife Johana (Sole Executrix), my Messuage wherein I dwell for her life. To my Son William after her death, to bring up his Son and Daughter and Cousin, John Burgess. Will dated July 4th, 1694.

Francis Emmerson, Senr., of Cottenham, Cambs., Yeoman. To my Wife Elizabeth, 8 acres of land at Cottenham for life. To my eldest Son Francis, after her death, also 21 roods of Marish in Smithey Fenn, and 5 roods of meddow ground in the "Holme." To my Son Richard, £10 and 5 acres of Land called Brods, lying in Cottenham. To my Daughter Elizaheth, £30. To my Daughter Anne Hornebuckle, 5s. Wife Elizabeth and Son Francis Executors. Will dated 6 Oct., 1698.

Margaret Emmerson, of Cottenham, Cambs., Widdow. To my elder Daughter Margaret, ½ acre of Arable land at Cottenham. To my second Daughter Elizabeth, 1 Acre of Free Franning (?) in Smithey Fen lying beneath Strong Hills in a certain Furlong called the Points. To my youngest Daughter Alice, 1 Acre of Free Franning? in Smithey Fenn in a certain Furlong called More Cast Furlong, both acres late purchased of William Humphrys, of Cottenham. Will dated May 4th, 1701.

Richard Emmerson, of Cottenham, Cambs., Blacksmith. To my Mother Ann, leasehold Cottage wherein I dwell and 5 roods of Marish Land in Smithey Fen, with the Lott and Common holden of Kings Colledge, Camb., and after her decease To my Wife Margarett (Sole Executrix), and after her decease To my Son John during the term of the Lease. To my three Daughters, Margaret, Elizabeth and Alice, £20 each. To my said Wife, 2 acres of Free Fenn in Smithey Fenn, late purchased of Wm. Humphrey. Will dated 11 April, 1700; proved April 26, 1700.

Eliza Emmerson, of Cottenham, Cambs., Widdow. To my Daughter Anne Hornbuckle, 20s. To my Son Richard, 20s. To my Daughter Elizabeth, 3 acres of Arable Land in the Common Fields and boundes of Holywell cum Needingworth, Hunts. To my Son Francis, the Residue. Will dated Nov. 4th, 1702; proved Aug. 30th, 1707.

Emmerson, Anna, of Cottenham, Cambs., Widdow, very aged and infirm. Will made 4 Oct., 1705. To my Granddaughter Anne Hornbucks and to her child (not named), 5s. To my Granddaughter Margaret, one bedstead and settle standing in the house of her Father, Richard Emmerson, in Cottenham. To my Granddaughter Elizabeth Emmerson, Sister of the aforesd. Margaret. To my Granddaughter Elizabeth, Daughter of my Son Francis, late decd. To my Granddaughter Anne Emerson. Linen to be divided amongst afsd. five Sisters, my Granddaughters. To my 2 Grandsons Francis and Richard. To my Grandson John, leasehold Messuage holden of The Fellows of King's Coll., Cambs., wherein I now dwell. Residue to Grandsons, Francis Emmerson (Son of Francis Emmerson, decd.), and to John (Son of Richard Emmerson, decd.), Executors, and appoints Stephen Sanderson Overseer. Proved 2 March, 1705, by Francis Emmerson.

* Emotson, Robert, of Thorney, Cambs., Barber. Will made 9 June, 1708. To my Wife Elizabeth, Sole Executrix, my Lease of ground holden of the Lord Duke of Bedford, with Granary, Barn and Stable I builded in Yard adjoining unto my House, and after her decease to my Son Thomas, he to have £50 when 21. To my Son Robert, £50 when 21. To my Daur. Elizabeth, £50 when 21. To my Kinsman Robt., £5 when he starts in business for himself. Proved 23 July, 1708, by Elizabeth Emotson, exix. * I have printed these Emotsons wills because an Emerson of Co. Lincoln married into this family of Emotsons, and some of them afterwards changed their name to Emerson, and impudently assumed the Lincolnshire arms.—P. H. E.

Emotson, Robt., of Wisbech, Cambs., Carpenter. Will made 8th March, 1716. To my Brother Thomas, £50, wh. is now in the hands of my Mother Elizabeth, given by my Father Robert. Bro. Thos. Sole Exor. Proved 8th May, 1717, by Thomas, Sole Exor.

Emerson, Thomas, Vicar of Steeple Morden (Cambs.). Will made 1 May, 1714. To Elizabeth Brown, my Housekeeper (Widow Relict, of Wm. Brown, Senr.), for her life, and then to her Son Thos., her Daur. Bridgett and her Grandr. Elizth. To any person related to me, 1s. Proved 17 July, 1718, by Elizth. Brown, Sole Exix.

Emerson, Richd., of Fendrayton, Cambs., Yeoman. To my Daur. Mary, a Commonable House in Bluntisham after the decease of Thos. Ridley, if she lives till 21; if not, to Son Thomas. Daur. Mary Sole Exix. Will dated 28 May, 1715; proved 28 Sept., 1719.

Emotson, Elizabeth, of Thorney, Widow. Will dated 29 July, 1713. To my son Robert, £50 c/o his Guardian. To Mary, Easter, Elizabeth, John, children of my bro. John Brookes, of Stamford, Lincs., Slatter. My brother Richard Brookes, of Stamford, afsd., Baker, and John Oldman, of Walsoken, Norfolk, Grassier, Guardians for Son Robt. Residue to Son Thomas. Proved 20 June, 1720.

Emerson, Richard, the Elder, of Linton, Cambs., Baker. Will dated 30 Nov., 1739. To my Son Richd., my friend Zacharias Wyatt, all my freehold houses upon trust to put my Son John Apprentice, and then divide residue between my Sons Richd. and Thos. and John. Son Richd. to be Exor. Proved 1 March, 1739.

Emerson, Thos., of Papworth St. Agnes (no occn., Co. Hunts). To my two Cousins, Susanna Gudgeon and Diana Gudgeon, the Daurs. of my Niece, Susanna Gudgeon. To my three Cousins, Thos. Whitechurch, Ann Whitechurch and John Whitechurch, children of my Niece, Diana Whitechurch. To my five Nephews and Nieces, children of my Brother John Emerson, late of Bluntisham, Hunts, Samuel Emerson, Thomas, Richard, Susanna and Sarah. Residue to 2 Nephews, George Bricheno and John Bricheno, Exors. Will dated 12 June, 1740; proved 6 Sep., 1740.

Emotson, Thos., of Thorney, Cambs., Yeoman. Dated 30 March, 1745. To Elizth. my Wife, 4 acres lying in Elm Fen, and 6 acres at Walsutton, also a Messuage in Wisbech. To Richd. my Son. Should Son and Wife die, Messge. in Wisbech to Philip Goose, of Great Dalby, Lincs., and the 4 acres to Susanna Goose, the 8 acres to Elizth., Wife of Thos. Carter, of Gaton, Lincs., also 13 acres in the Manor of Wall Sutton. Mr. Wignal, of Wisbech, and Wife, Guardians. Proved 28 Aug., 1745.

Emerson, John, of Cottenham, Cambs., Yeoman. To my Wife Mary, the House I now live in and 3 acres of free arable land in the fields of Cottenham, formerly Norman's, also my acre of free marsh land in Smithey fen, formerly my Fathers, after her decease, unto my 2 Daughters, Alice Wilson and Elizabeth Maile. To my Son James, their Bror., £5. Wife Mary, Exix. Dated 20 March, 1742; proved 10 June, 1749.

Emotson, Richd., of Whittlesey, Cambs., Surgeon and Apothecary. Will dated 30 Oct., 1792. My 13 acres in Walsoken, also 8 acres in Walton, Norfolk, in tenure of Widow Moss, unto Wm. Carter, of Scrimsby, in the Coy. of Lincoln, Farmer and Grazier, subject to a payment of £50 to his Bror., Thos. Carter, of Friskney. 6 acres in Walsoken unto Elizth. Purdeu, of Whittlesey, Spinster, and then to John Johnson, of Bucknell, near Hornecastle, Grazier. My dwellinghouse in Whittlesey to sd. Elizth. Purdeu. To Chas. Wignall, the only Son of my relation, Richd. Wignall, decd. Elizth. Purdeu, Sole Extrix. Proved 24 June, 1793.

Emerson, John, of Cottenham, Cambs., Yeoman. To my Son Francis Emerson, 8 acres and 1 rood in Cottenham held of the Rectory Manor by Copy of Court Roll. To my Daur. Ann Emerson, 3 acres in Smithey Fen, in Cottenham, with appts. held of the Manor of Croylands. To my Wife Mary, my Son John Emmerson, who owes me £400. Wife Mary, Sole Exix. Will dated 6 Oct., 1796; proved 13 May, 1797.

NORWICH REGISTRY TO 1700.

Allen Emerson, of Norwich. Will of A. E., of the par. of St. Peter Mancroft, dated 9th Nov., 1641. Bequeaths to his w. Susan Emerson, all his lands, tenements and hereditaments freehold and copyhold, situated in North Repps, late one Robert Byries, also house in wh. he lives in St. Peter M. parish for her natural life; after her decease to his eldest son Henry Emerson and his heires. Item, his d. Susan and John Warren her husband, £4 Score. Item, his Son Allen, four score pounds; item, his son Robert, four score pounds; item, his son John, four score

pounds—to be paid within one year of his death. In default of payment, power to enter upon certain lands at North Repps until paid. Desires that after the death of his w. his Son Henry shall take charge of his Son Christopher E., and should he refuse, he shall pay £100 to such one of his brothers and s. who will undertake it. Sd. Allen Emerson. Witnesses:—Will Hall, Anne Man, Richd. Gaile. Proved at Consy. Ct. of Norwich 11 Jan., 1641.

Emerson, widow of Richard Emerson, 1664, of Great Yarmouth, Mariner, leaves her money and goods to her Son Robert E. In presence of Thomas Ladd and Emerson, widow, late w. of Thomas Emerson, deceased.

NORFOLK ARCHDEACONRY.

REG. 1678, Fo. 846.

Mary Emerson, widow, of Hillgay, Co. Norf., sick. To be decently buried according to the ch. of England. Mentions Mary Emerson, Elizabeth Emerson, daughters and executrixes. Son Robert Emerson, house at Feltwell. Grandchild John Emerson (son of my son, John Emerson, deceased.) Grandchild Elizabeth Emerson (dau. of my son Robt. Emerson and Jane his w.). Grandchildren Mary and Jane (daus. of my son Robt. and Jane his w.). Grandchildren Francis Beaumont, dau., and Edmund Beaumont, s., of my dau. Margaret Beaumont, of Boughton. Mary Emerson. Wit. :—Nich. Spencer, Samuel Aldey. Proved 20 Jan., 1678—9, by the executrixes.

REG. 1678, Fo. 75.

Christopher Emerson, of Hillgay, Co. Norf., weak, etc. To be buried according to Church of England. Mentions well beloved wife Ursula. Son Christopher Emerson, of Ely. Dau.-in-law Elizabeth Emerson, of Hilgay, widow. Grandchildren John, Christopher and Elizth. Emerson, children of my son John Emerson, decd., and their mother Elizabeth. Wife Ursula, sole exx. Christopher Emerson. Wit. :—Nich. Spencer, Henry Dixon, Thomas Richardson. Proved 20 Jan., 1678—9, by the relict.

REG. 1688, Fo. 395; No. 61.

Robert Emerson, of Hilgay, Co. Norf. Mentions wife Jane Emerson. Son William Emerson. Dau. Mary Emerson. Dau. Jane Emerson. Dau. Elizth. Emerson. Wife Jane, sole ex. Wit. :—Robt. Spencer, Nic. Spencer, George Dearsley. Proved 11 June, 1688. (Contributed by Col. J. P. S.)

REGISTER 1665; Fo. 7.

William Emerson, of Hilgay, Co. Norfk., Blacksmith. Mary, wife, house in Hilgay. Margaret Emerson, my daur., 10s. Robert Emerson, my son, 10s. Mary Emerson, my daur., 10s. at 21. Elizabeth Emerson, my daur., 10s. at 21. William Emerson, my son, 10s. at 21. Thomas Emerson, my son, 10s. at 21. Witnesses:—William Reve, ... Portter. Dated 6 Decr., 1665. No proof recorded.

SUFFOLK WILLS.

IPSWICH REGISTRY.

Will of William Emerson, of Stoake next Ipswich. Wife Alyce Emerson. Daughter Alyce Emerson. Youngest son John Emerson. (No other relatives mentioned in Will.) Will dated 11 Jan., 1612; proved 28 July, 1614.

Robert Emerson, of Bromeswell, Suffolk, Sack Cloath weaver. Will dated 19th April, 1679. Gives all lands, messuages and tenements situate at Clopton, Suffolk, to Brother-in-law, Marke King, of Charsfield, and Sister Rose (wife of Marke King) for life, after death of survivor, to heirs of Sister Rose. Gives all lands at Patistry to Sister Rose subject to payment of 50s. a year to Mother Elizabeth Wood. Gives £35 to Brother Thomas Wood, of Bromeswell, but if dead, to Sister Margaret Cole, of Bromeswell, widow. To Thomas Cole, Abraham Cole, Philip Cole and Robert Cole, Sons of said Margaret Cole, £5 each. Residue to Marke King, who is appointed sole Executor. Witnesses:—Elizabeth Wooll, Ann Greene, Gervas Hubbald. Proved 21st May, 1684.

John Emerson, of Easton, Suffolk, Blacksmyth. Will dated 21 May, 1684. Gives Wife Jane lands and tenements in Easton for life; after her death to Brother Matthew Emerson, of Brundish, Suffolk, yeoman; 40s. to Sister Susan Browning and the three children she had by Browning; 40s. to Jane, the Daughter of John Harvy, which he had by Testator's Sister Elizabeth; £5 to Mary, wife of George Gooding; 40s. each to her two Sons, John and William; 50s. each to John Clarke, of Easton, Blacksmyth, and Elizabeth his Wife; £5 each to two children of Susan, Wife of James Palmer; £10 to Joyce Allen. Wife Jane and Brother Matthew, Executors. Residue to Brother Matthew. Witnesses:—Thomas Robarts, Mary Milles, Robt. Sparrow. Proved 17 July, 1684.

George Emerson, of Easton, Suffolk, Yeoman. Will dated 18th January, 1685. Gives Edward Capon the Elder, all lands, tenements and hereditaments in Easton for life. Wife Frances to have the use and occupation of one dwelling. After the death of Edward Capon, all Real Estate to go to his Son Henry, but if Henry dies to go to William Capon, another Son of Edward Capon. Edward Capon, the Elder, sole Executor. Witnesses:—Jonas Spurling, Elizabeth Marion, Nich. Freeman. Proved 12th December, 1692.

BURY ST. EDMUND'S WILLS.

Administration of Henry Emerson, of Chevington (Dec., 1689), and granted to Ambrose and Henry, the Sons.

CANTERBURY REGISTRY.

Robert Emmerson, of St. Lawrence, in Thanett, in the County of Kent, Taylor, by his Will bearing date the 25th Septembris, Anno Dni., 1636, and in the twelfth yeare of the raigne of Lord Charles by the grace of God of England, etc.: bequeaths his soule into the hands of Allmightie God, and his body to thearth to be interred in the Churchyard of St. Lawrence aforesaid. And he bequeaths the following legacies:—To his Wife Eve, the use of his house in S. Lawrence aforesaid, with thappurtenances and profitts thereof during her naturall life, and after her decease he gives and bequeaths the same house to his twoe sonnes, Thomas Emerson and William Emerson, to be equally devided betwixt them, they paying unto his daughter Margarett three pounds of lawfull money of England, and to his other three daughters, Jane, Mary and Elizabeth, forty shillings a peece of like lawfull money within two monthes after the decease of his said Wife, equally to be paid betwixt his two sonnes aforesaid. All his movable goods he gives to his said Wife, and he appoints her sole Executrix of his Will. In witness whereof he sets his hand and seal. Robt. Emerson. Witnesses:—Hen. Johnson, Jo. Evers, William Fagge, Wm. Dunkin, Vicar. Proved in the Archdeacon's Court of Canterbury the 18th day of October, 1636.

GLOUCESTER REGISTRY.

1685, Harnoys Emerson, Coldaston, yeoman. Wife Judith. Son Henry, Exor. Son Thomas. Son William. Dau. Judith married — Taylor. Bequeath Corn Ground called Crofts to his wife Judith. Mentions Grandson Harnoys or Hornois Emerson. Item, I give unto Judith Emerson, Sarah Emerson, the daus. of Andrew Emerson and Sarah his wife, 20s. apiece. Andrew was probably the testator's son. Will proved at Chipping Sodbury, 15 Oct., 1685.

ESSEX WILL.

The Will of Edward Emson,* of Lee, Co. Essex, yeoman. Dated 10 Sept., 1652. Wife Sarah, Lands in Cole Norton, Houses in Rochford. Grandch. Sarah Emyson (under 21), Land in St. Lawrence, Co. Essex. Mr. John Angar, now Minister of Lee. Mr. Beard, Minister of Rochford. Mr. Pecke, Minister of Prittlewell. Kinsman William Clarke, of Hocklee, 2d. Wife executrix. Edward Emison. Witnesses:—John Norris, John Bundocke. Pr. 13 Jan., 1657—8.
* Printed because of doubtful spelling. *Vide* Chapter on Essex.—P. H. E

LEWES REGISTRY.

Anne Emerson, of New Shoreham, in the County of Sussex, Widow, by her Will, dated the 5th June, 1677, bequeathed to her Brother, Edward Virgoe, of Cuckfield, Sussex, £2. To Anne Gates, Daughter of William and Alice Gates, of New Shoreham, £20, and to the said Alice Gates, the granddaughter of the deceased, the interest of the £20 given to the said Anne Gates until she attained 15 years of age. All the residue of her personal estate unto her granddaughter, Anne Woolvin, of New Shoreham, Spinster, whom she appointed sole Executrix. Will proved by Anne Woolvin, 6th July, 1678.

WINCHESTER REGISTRY.

Radulphus Emerson. In the name of Gode, Amen, the laste day of Auguste, the yeere of or lorde Gode, A thousand fyve hundred & xxiij. I, Ralphe Emerson, of the pysche of Buryton, make this, my laste wyll, aftr the manr & forme foloynge fyrst & foremyst I bequeve my Soule to Allmyhty Gode to his blysyd modr. Seinte Marye, and to all the hole company of hevyn, and my body to be buryed wt. yn ye pysche churche of buryton aforeseyd. Also I bequeve to the modr. Churche of Seinte Swythewn iiij.d. Also to ye hye Aulter of ye pysche Churche of Buryton abovewrytt, iij.s. iiij.d. Also I beqeve to evry Stokyd lyrte mayntaynyd wt.yn yt. same churche, viij.d. Also for brekynge the grownd for my grave, vj.s. viij.d. Also I beqeve to ye torches mayntaynyd wt.yn yt. foreseyd Churche, xx.d. Also I bequeve to ye mayntenance of the stoke of yt same churche a lyve cowe. Also to a preest to syng for my soule and my bnfactors on quarture of ye yeere, xxxiij.s. iiij.d. Also I bequeve to my Sone henry, iij.li. vj.s. viij.d. Also to Trysteram fyfty scheepe and ij. kyne. Also to my dowhter Anne, iij.li. vj.s. viij.d. Also to my dowhter Margaret xl.s., and yf ytt shall fortune any of the to fayle before thei be maryable, then I wyll yt porcyon to be devydyd a mongs the odr. lengest lyvars In evyn porcyons, and yf ytt shall fortune my wyfe to fayle before ye yeeres of my Indetur. of ye ferme yt I dwellyn be

expyryd, then I wyll yt my sonne henry occupy ye rest of ye yeeres, and yf ytt shall fortune by. to fayle wt. oute lschewe yen. to remayne to my Sone Trystera. and to ye lengest lyvar of them too, or of my dowhters Anne and Margarat. And yf ytt should fortune the. all to fayle wt. oute yschewe be fore ye yeeres be expyryd, then I wyll ye yeeres to remayne to Wyllya. Loveles, and soo to ye longest lyvars of Jane, or Katoryne, his syster, yf he fayle. Also I bequeve to Wyllyam Emerson, my sonne, a yonge gray hors and my tawny gowne furryd wt. blake Lambe. Also to Wyllyam Emerson, my nevy, xx.s. and a Cowe. Also to Wyllyam Stygand, my Snant, xiij.s. iiij.d. in mony, a tawny cote, and a blake mare colte of ij. yeeres of age. Also I beqeve to Jane & Isabell Scragge to evy. of the. a cow and a qart. malt. Also to evy. of my godechyldryn a lambe. Also to viij. men to ber me to churche to evy. of them iiij.d. Also I orden and make my trusty supvysor of this my last wyll my broot Mayst., Thoas. Euresey, and I wyll he have for his labor xx.s. All the resedue of my goods, movable and unmovable, my detes fyrste payde & my wyll fulfyllyd, I gyve and bequeve to Margaret, my wyfe, whome I orden and make my faythefull, trusty, and sole executrye to bestowe for my soule as sche schall thynke moste pleasurd to God and helth to my soule & all crysten. Dat die R Ao. uta.a hij testib. Willmo Nebb, clico, Joe bynkam and Joe Samson eu aliis.

Pbatn fuit testm. retrosipt vij° Novebris ao. Di. 1523 i Capella Sce. Elisabz. Comissa fuit Admistracio executrici in forma inris inrat. h het ad exhid. Inventarim in hoc loco die mercurii an. festu. Thome. (Printed because of doubtful spelling.—P. H. E.)

BERKSHIRE WILLS.

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"Paull Amorson, scolemaister of the queristers in New College in Oxon." My body to be buried in Christen man's buriall. To my brother, John Amorson, "all that litle goodes wch. I have in this worlde," whom I make my sole executor, willing him always to have in mind the performance of my father's will wherewith I stand charged. To John Jacobe my singing bookes. To William Heathwait my Ovides, all other things at his disposing. Sum of inventory [not shown], £13 13s. 5d. Proved 7 Sept. [year not given] before Thos. White,* Warden of the College of the Blessed Mary, of Winchester, in Oxford. *Dr. White was Warden of New College from Sept., 1553, to Oct., 1573.

IRISH WILLS TO 1700.

AT P.R.O., DUBLIN, ETC.

Arthur Emerson, Donore, 1678. The 3rd Septr., 1678. I, Arthur Emerson, of the Liberty of Donore, Co. Dublin, being aged, make this, my last will, as follows :—I bequeath unto Ruth Starling, my daughter, £1 0s. 0d. ster. To Mary Huntington, my grandchild, wife of Joshua Huntington, 20s. ster. And to her daughter, Mary Huntington, 40s. ster. To Ruth Ward, my grandchild, wife of Peter Ward, 20s. ster. To Hannah Huntington, my grandchild, wife of John Huntington, £15 0s. 0d. ster. I do forgive the sum of £6 0s. 0d. ster. which she borrowed of me. To Samuel Hussey, Maomy Hussey, and Caleb Hussey, children of my daughter, Grace Hussey, £10 0s. 0d. each ster. To William Starling, son of my said daughter, Ruth, £10 0s. 0d. ster. To Elizabeth Starling, his sister, £10 0s. 0d. ster. Whereas, William Starling, my son-in-law, is indebted by bond to me in the sum of £150 0s. 0d. ster., I do hereby forgive him the said debt. I do hereby appoint my son-in-law, John Hussey, to be sole exor., and I bequeath unto him all the rest of my goods. And I do desire Mr. Lawrence Eccles, Mr. Nicholas Taylor, of the Citty of Dublin, Clothiers, and Thomas Shaw, the younger, of the Liberty of Donore, Co. Dublin, Tanner, to be overseers of this, my last will. Signed this Arthur Emerson. (Seal.) Witnesses, John Syddatt (Clk.), Daniell Falkner, Thomas Parker, David Cambie. Proved 13th Sepr., 1678.

John Emerson, 1692. Administration of the goods, etc., of John Emerson, late of Philipstown, in King's Co., gent., decd. intestate, was granted to Hester Emerson, widow and relict of the said decd., reserving the right of Thomas Emerson, Lambert Emerson, John Emerson, and Elizabeth Emerson, minors and lawful children of the decd., 14th Sept., 1692.

Michael Emerson, 1661. Bond entered into by Thomas Hugall, of Lisnemallett, Co. Fermanagh, and Philip Browning, of Lisnaskea, in the same County, for administration of the goods, etc., of Michael Emerson, late of Lisnamallett, in the Parish of Clonmitt and Co. Fermanagh, 24th Sepr., 1661. Signed Thomas Hugall, son-in-law of decd. Philip Browning, now husband to Rose, the late wife of the said Michael Emerson.

SCOTCH WILLS.

"All the old Commissary (Probate) Registers in Scotland from the institution of the Court down to the years 1823—30, are now deposited in the General House, Edinburgh."—J. E. Currie, Commissary Office, Edinburgh.

"Scotch Confirmations (Probates Anglicé) are now granted and recorded in the Sheriff Courts, i.e., the County Courts of which the Sheriff of each county is the Judge. The Burgh register here relate mainly to titles of heritable property within the Burgh, and are of little genealogical value. The name Emerson does not occur in the Forfar Town or District Register, and I should think it extremely rare in Scotland."—A. N. MacHardy, Town Clerk of Forfar, N.B.

"The Records of the Commissary Office, Edinburgh, go back to the Reformation."—J. E. Currie.

"No charge is made for searches at the Record Office, Edinburgh, prior to 1780, if it is intended to print the result."—M. Livingstone, Record Office, Edinburgh, N.B.

The Rev. W. McLeod, of Edinburgh, kindly searched the Testamentary Register of the Lothians at Edinburgh, 1514—1700, and the Chronological Index in the Register House, and finds no Emersons, Embersons or Emmersons.

I take leave to thank Mr. McLeod especially for his courtesy and kindness.—P. H. E.

LIST OF PRINTED WILLS AND INDEXES ALL SEARCHED FOR EMERSONS.

"The fifty earliest wills in the Court of Probate, London, 1387—1439," Early Eng. Text Soc., 1882. "The Register of Edmund Stafford," by J. C. Hingeston, Randolph, 1886. "Genealogical Gleanings in England," by H. F. Waters, Boston, 1885. A list of printed wills, "Notes and Queries," 3 series—II., 341, 403, 434, 515; III., 30, 75. "Early Montgomery Wills at Hereford Registry," Powysland Club, Vol. XVI., 299; XVII., Pt. 1; XIX., Pt. 1. Some wills in P.R.O. "Genealogist," new series, Vol. I., 266; II., 59, 279; III., 122, 185, 220. A list of wills proved during vacancies of Sees of Canterbury and Norwich, App. to 8 Rep. Hist. MSS. Comm., p. 332. Add. MS.: 29699 British Museum. Yorkshire Gentry, 1636—1652, and fo. 149 wills and admons. granted in Consistory Court of York, 1660—1724. MS. wills and admons. at Lambeth to 1700. Allerton peculiar register of wills (begin 1666): nil. And the following:—"Testamenta Vetusta," by (Sir) Harris Nicolas, London, 2 vols. 8vo, 1826, which, however, deals almost exclusively with well-known and well-born families. "Wills from Doctors' Commons," by J. G. Nichols, and the following, which, for the sake of convenience, I have, in this edition, arranged alphabetically. Berkshire: "Berkshire Wills and Administrations, 1508—1652," published by the Index Library. Blandford: "Calendar of Wills and Administrations," preserved at Blandford, by E. A. Fry.—Dorset Records. Bristol: "Notes on the Wills in the Great Orphan Book; or, Book of Wills in the Council House of Bristol" (Wadley). Canterbury: "Prerog. Court of, 1383—1558, Calendar of," by J. C. C. Smith, published by the Index Library, pp. 100, and the finest privately compiled calendar ever printed (a continuation for 1559—1583 is in the press). "Prerog., Court of, Genealogical Abstract of Wills in 1658" (Reg. Wootton), by W. Brigg. Carlisle: "Testamenta Karleobensia; or, The Series of Wills from the Pre-Reformation Registers of the Bishops of Carlisle, 1353—1386," by R. S. Ferguson (for the Cumberland and Westmoreland Society). Cumberland: "Wills and Inventories relating to," by Canon Raine (Surtees Society, 1853). Devonshire: "Devonshire Wills" (selections, Hen. V. to Geo. IV.), by Charles Worthy (Bemrose and Son). Dorset: "Dorset Administrations," by G. S. Fry. "Dorset Wills and Administrations at Blandford, 1568—1792;" to be published by the Index Library (in the press). Gloucestershire: "Gloucestershire Wills, 1541—1650," published by the Index Library. Ipswich: *See* Suffolk. Ireland: "Index to Prerog. Wills, 1536—1810," by A. Vicars. Kent: "Kent Wills, 1383—1559, Calendar of," by L. L. Duncan, Lewisham Antiquarian Society. "Kentish Wills," by J. Greenfield, London, 1857. Lambeth: "Calendar of Lambeth Wills, 1313—1644:" "Geneal." (1st series) v., p. 211; this is to the "Vacancy Wills," and is specially valuable, because it gives references to all wills proved during the vacancy of any See belonging to the Province of Canterbury. *See* also "Catalogue of Lambeth Administrations:" "Geneal." (new series) i., p. 80. "Testamenta Lambethana, etc., 1312—1636," by Dr. Ducarel, fo., pp. 138. Sir T. Phillipps, Middle Hill Press. Lancashire: "Lancashire Wills," by Canon Raine (Surtees Society), 1853. "Lancashire and Cheshire Wills," 3 vols. (Chetham Society), by the Rev. G. J. Piccope, 1857—61. "Lancashire Wills at Richmond, 1457—1748," by Fishwick, Lancashire and Cheshire Rec. Society. "Lancashire and Cheshire Wills, 1301—1752," Lancashire and Cheshire Society. Lichfield: "Lichfield Wills and Administrations, 1510—1652," published by the Index Library. Lincoln: "Early Lincoln Wills, 1280—1547," by Gibbons. "Early Lincoln Wills, 1280—1547;" Williamson, Lincoln. London: "London Wills

proved in the Hustings Court, 1258—1688," 2 vols., by Dr. Sharpe (a most excellent and valuable work). Norfolk: "Early Norfolk Wills from the Norwich Registry," by John L'Estrange (being all the interesting wills from Regr. Heydon), 1370—1383. "Norfolk Antiquarian Miscellany," i. pp. 345—412. "MSS. Collections," by A. Norris and J. L'Estrange, *penes me;* and by D'Ewes (Harl. MSS. 10). Northamptonshire and Rutland: "Calendar of Northamptonshire and Rutland Wills, 1510—1652," Mr. Phillimore (Index Library); now issued separately. Northern Counties: "Wills and Inventories illustrative of the History of the Northern Counties," published by the Surtees Society. Oxford: Griffiths' "Index to Wills proved in the Court of the Chancellor of Oxford," 8vo, 1862. Somersetshire: "Abstracts of Somersetshire Wills," by the late Rev. F. Brown, F.S.A., printed by Mr. F. A. Crisp, Grove Park, Denmark Hill, S.E. (Second series in the press). Suffolk: "Calendar of Early Suffolk Wills," Ipswich Registry, 1444—1620; "East Anglian," new series, begun Vol. I., p. 340. "Calendar of Wills at Ipswich, 1444—1600," by F. A. Crisp (in the press). This, like most of Mr. Crisp's publications, is published at a prohibitive price, viz., £2 12s. 6d. These luxurious issues stop much good work being done "Bury Wills and Inventories," by S. Tymms, published by the Camden Society in 1850. Sussex: "Sussex Wills and Administrations at Lewes, 1541—1652," by W. H. Hall. To be published by the Index Library (in the press). Yorkshire: "A Catalogue of the Yorkshire Wills at Somerset House, 1649—1660." Yorkshire Archl. and Top. Association. "Index to bundles of untranscribed Wills at York," temp. Charles I. *id.*, not yet issued. "Testamenta Eboracensia," published by the Surtees Society. Index to original Letters of Administrations, printed by F. A. Crisp."—W. Rye.

The wills up to 1700 at every registry in England and Wales have been searched except Notts, which only includes one or two Peculiar Courts, the Notts wills having been formerly registered at York (*q.v.*). Those registries are (with date of earliest record):—"Bangor, 1635; Birmingham, 1675; Blandford, 1568; Bodmin, 1601; Bristol, 1568; Bury St. Edmunds, 1354; Canterbury, 1396; Carlisle, 1564; Carmarthen, 1600; Chester, 1545; Chichester, 1511; Derby, 1858; Durham, 1540; Exeter, 1545, Gloucester, 1541; Hereford, 1545; Ipswich, 1444; Lancaster, 1748; Leicester, 1500; Lewes, 1541; Lichfield, 1526; Lincoln, 1506; Liverpool, 1858; Llandaff, 1590; Manchester, 1858; Newcastle-on-Tyne, 1858; Northampton, 1496; Norwich, 1370; Nottingham, 1558; Oxford, 1801; Peterborough, 1449—1708; St. Asaph, 1565; Salisbury, 1800; Taunton, 1538; Wakefield, 1587; Wells, 1530; Winchester, 1398; Worcester, 1493; York, 1398."—J. H. H.

Chancery Proceedings.

B. & A., 1558—1640. INDEX ONLY.

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CHANCERY PROCEEDINGS. ELIZABETH.

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S.s. 10, No. 45. Plaintiff, Edwd. Stanhope, 1572; Defendants, Hy. Welbye, Stephen Harrington, Wm. Swanns-Farbarne, Jno. Stallingboroughe, Wm. Welford, Richard *Emerson*, Hy. Holeson, Wm. Slake, and Christr. Scrowbie; object, Claim by purchase; county, Lincoln.

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CHANCERY DEPOSITIONS. (ELIZ., JAS. I., CHARLES I.)

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E. No. 15, No. 20. ? Emerton *v.* Compton.

E. No. 17, No. 4. Emerson *v.* Redshawe et Holmes.

CHANCERY PROCEEDINGS. (SERIES II., 1587—1596.)

Bundle 238, No. 5. Plaintiff, Emerson, Cuthbert; Defendant, Emerson, Robert; place, Cosgrove; county, Northampton.

(SERIES II., 1596—1616.)

Bundle 268, No. 47. Plaintiff, Emerson, Humphrey; Defendant, Emerson, Margaret, wi low, and others; place, London; county, Middlesex.

EMERSON:—CHANCERY PROCEEDINGS.

(1558—1600) $\frac{4}{44}$. Bill, dated 24 June, 1565, by Anne Emerson *v.* John Milington. John Emerson, brother of Oratrix, entrusted £10 legacy to Anne, under their mother's will, to one, John Milington; anent which £10, the present suit. (No Co. named, but Buckingham is given in the Index, *q.v.*) Answer of John Millington, not dated, says that he and the complt., about 6 years ago, were both in the house of Sir Nichs. Strelley, decd., the defdt. being his servant, and the £10 in question was money which his master sent him to fetch from John Emerson, and which he gave to sd. Sir Nicholas. The replication and rejoinder give no further information. (Strelleys a Lincolnshire family.—P. H. E.)

$\frac{4}{44}$. Bill, dated 10 May, 1568, by Thomas Emerson, of Cadney, Co. Linc., yeoman, *v.* Robert Woode, of Thorroubye, sd. Co. Complains that defdt. detains deeds, etc., relating to a mess. and lands belonging to Compltt. in Boothby, Co. Lincoln. Wood denies the assertion.

$\frac{21}{27}$. Bill, dated 30 May, 1567, by William Emetson, of Lincoln, *v.* Christopher Cocker, regarding delivery of lands in the Manor of Crofte. Gives no genealogical particulars. (Much damaged.)

Elizabeth. E.e. $\frac{1}{9}$. Bill, dated 23 April, 1592, by Henry Emerson, of Loddon, Co. Norf., yeoman, James Smith, Nicholas Elye and Jeames Foster, yeomen, *v.* William Dorlett. The late James Smithe (decd. about 13 years since) was seised of 14 a l. in Loddon, held under the manor of Bacons. By his will he left same to Joan, his wife, until his son, William, was 21. About 4 years after (*i.e., circ.* 26 Eliz.), said Joan married Compltt. Emerson, and still occupies property because her son is not 21. Dorlett has brought action agst. Emerson and the other complainants (who also occupy lands in right of their wives), and they seek redress therefrom.

E. $\frac{3}{3}$. Bill, dated 7 Nov., 1596, by John Emmerson, of the City of Lincoln, fishmonger, *v.* Nicholas Saunderson, Henry Jenkinson and William Adams. Thomas Barker, late of Lincoln, fishmonger, orator's grandfather, held lease of farm called Bliton's lands in Canwick, Co. of City of Lincoln, etc. By his will, dated in Aug., 1580, he left legacy to his sister, Helen Banister; the lease of said farm to orator, when 21; and legacy to his then wife Elizabeth and others. The defendants are the representatives of the exors. of said Thomas Barker, and are sued for legacies to orator. The replication of John Emerson states he came of age 5 Jan, 38 Eliz.

E. $\frac{1}{3}$. Bill, dated 14th Oct., 1596, by George and Cuthbert Emerson, brothers, of Stanhope Parke, Co. Durham, *v.* George Lynsley, of Tudday, yeoman. About 5 years since orators bought the mess. called the Gate Castle of said Geo. Lynsley, wh. had been previously sold to him by Robert Emerson, of Gatecastle. The suit is brot. for detention of deeds.

E.e. $\frac{A}{24}$. Bill, dated 25 Oct., 1600, by Henry Emerson, s. and h. of Thomas Emerson, late of Southwark, Co. Surrey, gent., decd., being under 19 years old, by John Loane, of Sevenoke, Co. Kent, gent., his guardian, *v.* Humphrey Emerson, of Southwark, gent. William Emerson, the elder, late Cit. and Bowyer of London, decd., Orator's grandfather, died seised of various messuages, etc., one in St. Saviour's in the Boro' of Southwark, now in tenure of Margaret Emerson, widow; others in St. Michael's Hill, near Crooked Lane; and $\frac{1}{4}$ mess. called the Woolsack, in St. Saviour's, in tenure of Thomas Emerson or William Counden or their assigns; and also of lands, etc., at Deptford; and by his will, dated 14 Dec., 17 Elizabeth, left the

property in Southwark, etc., to his eldest son Thomas Emerson, and his heirs, and after his death sd. Thomas entered into possession. Sd. Thomas married Anne Robiout,* only child of John Robiout, nephew and heir of one Lawrence Robiout, cit. and girdler of London; said Anne being heir of messuages and lands in Southwark and Essex, devised by will of said Lawrence Robiout, dated 8 Oct., 5 and 6 P. and Mary. The whole of the premises have descended to Orator, s. and h. of Thomas and Anne. One Humphrey Emerson, of S'thwark, has possessed himself of deeds, etc., relating to property, and keeps orators from his inheritance. Humphrey Emerson, in his answer dated 25 (and 7) Nov., 1600, says Thomas Emerson, father of Orator, did by will, dated about June, 37 Eliz., bequeathe messuages in S'thwark, etc., to defendant, to his use for 8 years after decease of Margaret Emerson, then wife of said Thomas, for the education of John, Sara and Susan Emerson, his children, with remr. to Complt. and his heirs, then to said John and his heirs, and in default again, to John Emerson and the defendant, his brothers. The said Margaret, his widow, still survives. Defdt. was appted. guardian to all Thomas's children. He placed Complt. at school in the country, and afterwards sent him to Cambridge, where he continued till about 6 mths. ago, about which time he unadvisedly contracted himself to a young woman, and has since married her; and the suit is probably brought at the suggestion of the friends of the wife. John Lowen, associated with complt., was lately a recusant, and in no way allied to Complt. or his father.

* Called in answer "Robiante."

E.e. ½. Bill, dated 23 June, 1596, by Richard Emerson, of the City of London, *v.* Cuthbert Emerson. Robert Emerson, of Gatecastle, Co. Durham, Orator's father, was seised of mess. and lands in Stanhope in Wardell, held of the Bp. of Durham as of his Mr. of Stanhope. About 9 years ago, for the preferment of Orator, his eldest son, he conveyed ½ the same to one Geo. Lyndley, who was to grant the same to Orator; and he accordingly put orator in peaceable possession. The deed granting property to Lyndley, with other papers, has come into hands of one Cuthbert Emerson, of the East yeat, Co. Durh., who has taken possession of the premises. The answer of Cuthbert Emerson, dated 13 Nov., 1596, says Robert Emerson, senr., about 31 Eliz. sold premises in question to George Emerson, senr., defendt.'s father, who left them to George Emerson, theyr., defdt.'s brother; who in turn granted them to defdt. Lyndsley's claim may refer to tent and question, and also to one called Gatecastle, whereof Robert Emerson was never lawfully seized; and Complt. probably puts Lyndsley forward so as to claim both. Defdt. has served process on Lyndsley with regard to the Gatecastle.

A.a. ½. Bill, dated 14 Apr., 1573, by Alexander Allen, of London, Vintner, *v.* Raffe Emerson, of Northallerton, Co. York, yeoman, and others. Anthony Allen, late of York, merchant, Orator's father, was seised of mess. in Northallerton, etc., and lands in Fallyfot, etc. Defendants have wrongfully entered into said premises. The answer, replication and rejoinder contain nothing further *re* Emerson.

B.b. ½. Bill, dated 12 May, 1598, by Jonathas Bancks, *v.* Owswell Emerson, Margarett Emerson and Elizabeth Wilkes. The defdts. (Elizabeth Wilkes being widow of Walter Wilkes, decd.) hold deeds relating to a mess. in Coventry sold by said Walter to defdt.; but the purchase was not completed owing to Walter's death. They refuse to carry out the agreement. Defdts.' answer says Margaret Emerson is a widow, and very aged.

L.l. ½. Bill, dated 23 Jan., 1596—7, by Elizabeth Lego and others, *v.* John Emerson, William Clayton, Hugh Bowker and George Marre. John Redman (father of Complainant, Elizabeth Lego) and William Emerson, citizen and Bowyer, of London, conjointly bot. the Woolsack, in Bermondsey St., Southwark. The suit regards possession. John Emerson, in his answer, dated 3 Feb., 1596—7, says that Redman and Wm. Emerson agreed on 30 June, 4 and 5 P. and Mary, that the longest survivor should [inherit?] John Redman predecd. Wm. Emerson, defdt's. father. There is a great deal about Redman's family, but nothing further *re* Emerson. (Part decayed.)

W.w. ½. Bill dated 26 Nov., 1596, by Richard Welch, of London, Shoemaker, *v.* Richard Emerson and Agnes his wife. Complt's. sister, one Martha Welch, on coming to London from Co. Glouc., confided her goods and chattels to one Rd. Emerson, of Horton, Co. Glouc., yoman, and Agnes his wife. Martha died a year ago, and defdts. repudiate claims on them.

S.s. ½. Bill, dated 16 June, 1572, by Edward Stanhope, of Grey's Inne, Esq., *v.* Henry Welbye . . . . . Richard Emerson, and others. Richard Emerson is one of the trustees appointed by defdt. Welbye, with regard to premises in Gouxhill, Co. Lincoln, in order that wrongs committed by said Welbye on Complt. with regard to the property may be taken out of the cognisance of the common law. In the defendant's answer, Richard Emerson is styled the constable, and he and other defdts. were called in as witnesses, and to see the peace kept.

Eliz., Jas. and Car. I. E. ½. Emerson *v.* Hilyard. Suit by Alexander Emerson, gent., Edward Welcome, gent., and Susanah Fawdyn, widow, *v.* Henry Hillyard, Esq., and John Barnard. Depns. taken at Goxhill, Co. Lincoln, 22 Dec. 16 Car. I. Emerson and Welcome are owners of the Rectory of Goxhill. The suit regards lands asserted to belong to said Rectory.

½. Depns., etc., in suit of John Emerson, gent., *v.* William Holmes and Thomas Reedshaw; taken at Rippon, Co. Yorke, 18 April, 1640. Suit brought on a/c of misdemeanours, etc., committed by Complt.'s apprentice, John Race. John Emerson is apparently a merchant-adventurer, dealing especially in grain.

Ser. II. (1596—1616) ½. Bill, dated 4 Nov., 1596, by Humphrey Emerson, exor. of last will of Thomas Emerson, late of the Boro', Southwark, gent., decd.. *v.* Margaret Emerson, widow of sd. Thomas, and others. Before her marriage with sd. Thomas sd. Margaret was widow and exx. of late Wm. Hornblowe, late Citizen and Goldsmith of London. By indenture made 23 Aug., 36 Eliz., before their marriage they gave security for payments to Thomas and John Hornblowe for certain sums due. The suit is brot. by exor. of Thomas against the other parties to the Indenture.

(1587—1596) 2½. Bill, dated 23 Apr., 1594, by Cuthbert Emerson, of Hansloppe, Co. Bucks, yeoman, *v.* Robert Emerson. Cuthbert Emerson, Orators' grandfather, was seized of mess. in Conesgrave, Co. Northt., with land, bot. of one Henry Rigbie. He left 3 sons, viz., Christopher, the eldest, orator's father; Hugh, the second, and Robert, the third. Said mess. descended to Christopher, and on his death, to Orator; but Robert, as exor. to his father Cuthbert, keeps the evidences, etc. The replication states Cuthbert's will to have been made 4 & 5 Philip & Mary.

CHANCERY BILLS AND ANSWERS. JAS. I. AND CHAS. I.

PLAINTIFFS.

Chan. B. & A., Jas. I. E.e. 1-83, Emerson *v.* Vernon; 2-27, Emerson *v.* Clarke; 2-78, Emerson *v.* Wadsworth; 3-20, Emerson *v.* Wharton; 5-10, Emerson *v.* Norton; 6-70, Emerson *v.* Lopton. Chas. I. E.e. 1-10, Emerson *v.* Nevill; 2-15, Emerson *v.* Vavisor; 3-54, Emerson *v.* Bridge; 5-10, Emerson *v.* Bennett; 5-33, Emerson *v.* Peters; 9-62, Emerson *v.* Howsden; 10-2, Emerson *v.* Moseley; 10-26, Emerson *v.* Derham; 6-6, Emerson *v.* Comb; 7-17, Emerson *v.* Peters; 7-24, Emerson *v.* Hildyard; 9-61, Emerson *v.* Derham; 10-59, Emerson *v.* Browne; 10-62, Emerson *v.* Winter; 12-5, Emerson *v.* Underwood; 12-23, Emerson *v.* Anderson; 13-21, Emerson *v.* Ditchant; 13-30, Emerson *v.* Sergeant; 15-27, Emerson *v.* Harrison; 15-33, Emerson *v.* Hensloe; 17-69, Emerson *v.* Housden; 18-4, Emerson *v.* Wright; 18-16, Emerson *v.* Redshaw; 19-67, Emerson *v.* Swann; 22-40, Emerson *v.* Vavisor; 26-20, Emerson *v.* Chilton; 27-47, Emerson *v.* Emerson; 29-26, Emerson *v.* Ditchant; 30-43, Emerson *v.* Emerson; 32-11, Emerson *v.* Stanhope; 32-45, Emerson *v.* Hoose; 33-3, Emerson *v.* Bennet. 33-5, Emerson *v.* Johnson; 33-58, Emerson *v.* Hillyard; 33-103, Emerson *v.* Wadsworth.

CHANCERY PROCEEDINGS. JAS. I. AND CHAS. I.

Jas I. E.e. ½. Bill, dated 17 May, 1622, by Richard Emerson, of Blantshane, Co. Hunts., gentn., *v.* Christopher Vernon, gent., regarding title to messuages, etc., in Steinkley, Co. Hunts, whereof William Vernon, decd., father of Defdt. and father-in-law of Complt., was said to be seised; accusing Defdt. of trying to defraud his sister Bridget, wife of Complt., of her rights. The Answer is annexed. (Bill considerably faded.)

E.e. ½. Bill, dated 22 Nov., 1613, by Michaell Emerson, of Sereby, Co. Linc., gent., on behalf of himself & Francis and Fretchwell Dannatt, minors, sons of Daniell Dannatt, late of Laceby, Co. Linc., yeoman, decd., *v.* Richard Clarke and Margaret, his wife. Margaret Clarke is the widow and exx. of said Daniel Dannatt, and Emerson sues as trustee for the children under Dannatt's will. His replication is annexed.

E.e. ½. Bill, dated 10 Oct., 1618, by George Emerson, of Barmeton, Co. Durham, William Emerson, of the Eastgate, sd. Co., and Frauncis Fullthropp, of Dighton, Co. York, gent., *v.* John Wadsworth, of the city of York, merchant adventurer. Defendant is sued with regard to non-fulfilment of contract in the apprenticing to him of Brian Emerson, brother of Complt., George wh. took place about 3 years since. It does not appear what relation William Emerson was to Brian.

Car. I. E.e. ½. Bill, dated 10 Oct., 1632, by Alexander

Emerson, of Glamford Briggs, Co. Linc., gentn., *v.* Christopher Nevill, Rowland Farmery, and Katherine, his wife. One, Alexander Emerson, the elder, late of Glamford Briggs, Co. Linc., decd. about 2 years since, bot. moiety of Rectory of Goxhill, Co. Linc., and also a mes. and lands in Barton on Humber, making his only son, Alexander, joint purchaser with him, though he paid no part of the purchase money, and could not alienate any part, etc. The son was a weak man, and when his father sent for him from London, where he then was, to bestow him in marriage with a gentlewoman, Christopher Nevill, then an innkeeper in Lincoln, tried to inveigle him into a marriage with his dau. Katherine (July, 1626). Alexr., junr., was then a minor, and he was married to her within a few hours. Alexander, senr., settled the Manor of Benningholme, Co. York, on his said son, which, as soon as he came of age, he sold. Alexander, the father, and son, paid a sum to Christopher and Katherine to be quit of all annoyance and to recover title deeds of lands first mentioned; but a few days after, sd. Katherine married One Rowland Farmery, of the City of Lincoln. In spite of which they conspire together to defraud your Orator (Alexr., Junr.).

E.e. $\frac{3}{14}$. Bill, dated 8 Feb., 1635—6, by Richard Emerson, of Blunsham, als. Bluntisham, Co. Hunts, *v.* Joane Vavisor and John Vavisor, Nicholas Palferriman and John Piers. Suit arises out of a proposed exchange of lands between the parties, who are all copyholders at Blunsham, of the Queen's Manor or Soke of Somersham, said Co. (Answer of 2 last defdts. annexed.)

E.e. $\frac{4}{14}$. Bill, dated 25 Nov., 1626, by Edward Emerson, of Southsabridge, Co. Essex, yeoman, and Mary his wife, late the wife and exx. of Joseph Bridge, late of St. Lawrence, sd. Co., yeoman, *v.* Abraham Bridge and Richard Eve, regarding lands settled on oratrix, March 21, Jas. I., by Abraham Bridge, father of late Joseph Bridge, on her marriage with said Joseph; who afterwards entered into a bond to pay his father an annuity of £20. Joseph died leaving 2 children and no means. Orators beg to be relieved of responsibility of bond. Answer of Richard Eve annexed.

Jas. I. E.e. $\frac{4}{11}$. Bill, dated 31 Jan., 1621—2, by Thomas Emerson, of the town of Nottingham, *v.* Vincent Wharton. A great intimacy existed between Barbarie Emerson, wife of Orator, and Margerye Widdowson, now decd., Barbarie having been nurse to 3 of Margerye's children. In 10 Jas. I. Barbarie lent money to Vincent Wharton, clerk, son-in-law of William and sd. Margerye Widdowson; where anent the present suit.

E. $\frac{1}{16}$. Bill, dated 6 May, 1623, by Henry Emerson, of South Lambeth, Co. Surrey, *v.* Robert Norton, William Easton and Alice his wife and ors. (*i.e.*, Roger Painter and his wife). Orator, about 1610, took 21 yrs.' lease of certain copyhold lands in the Manor of Fauxhall, Co. Surrey, of Wm. Easton and his wife. About Sept., 19 Jas. I., on marriage of his dau. Elizabeth with Roger Painter, Orator entered into a bond with regard to her marriage portion, which being unable to satisfy, he took Painter and his wife to live in his own house. Upon this Robert Norton, of Lambeth, uncle of said Elizth. on the mother's side, conspired with William and Alice Easton (the latter his sister) to enforce execution of said bond. Five other of Orator's children mentioned, viz., Mathewe, Henry, Humfrey, William and John. His wife was dead. Begs relief from the conspiracy.

E. $\frac{5}{13}$. Answer, dated 27 Nov., ? 1615, of John Lopton, Esq., defdt., to Bill of Thomas Emerson, Esq., *re* demise by defdt. to Complt. of moiety of the Manor of Little Leake, in the pshes. of Great Leake and Over Chilton, Co. York, dated about 4 Oct., 6 Jas. I.

Chas. I. E.e., $\frac{3}{11}$. Bill, dated 1 June, 1644, by Christopher Emerson, of London, merchant, and Anne his wife, *v.* Edward Howsden, Clerk, Margaret Allen, and James Merry. Oratrix Anne is n ece of Edward Howsden, parson of Hornemeade, Co. Hertford, and about 8 years since, on her marriage with orator, agreed to give her a marriage portion. Howsden conspires with Margaret Allen his maidservant, and James Merry, her father, to defraud orators of 10 a. l. promised them in Hornemeade, and money, etc. (Answer annexed.)

E.e. $\frac{10}{9}$. Answer, dated 29 Nov., 1645, of Morris Moseley, one of the defdts. to the bill of Christopher Emerson, *re* a debt in money.

E.e. $\frac{12}{9}$. Bill, dated 12 Oct., 1642, by Christopher Emerson, of London, merchant, Jon. Hockenhull and Michael Oldisworth, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, Esqs., and William Wise, of Lincoln's Inn, Esq., *v.* Richard Derham and others, *re* interests in Sutton Marsh, Co. Lincoln, Duchy of Lancaster.

E. $\frac{4}{10}$. Bill, dated 8 Feb., 1630, by Humfrey Emerson, William Emerson and John Emerson, 3 of the younger sons of Henrie Emerson, late of South Lambeth, gent., decd., *v.* John Bennett and ors. In the suit (abstracted above) and other controversies between the late Henrie Emerson and Norton, Easton and Painter, the parties agreed to abide the decision of arbitrators. The award made provided a certain sum for the education of the six sons of Henry Emerson, viz., Mathewe, Thomas, Henry, Humfrey, William and John: Mathewe, Thomas and Henry being the the elder sons. The Complts., poor and fatherless young men, sue the defendts., who are trustees for the said sum. (Answer annexed.)

E. $\frac{4}{14}$. The answer, dated 22 June, 1646, of Adrian and Giles Peters, 2 of the defendts. to the Bill of Christopher Emerson, Michael Oldisworth and William Wise, Esq., *re* interests in Sutton Marsh, Co. Linc. (See suit abstracted above—bill.)

Chas. I. E.e. $\frac{5}{8}$. 20 Aug., 1643. Christopher Emerson and Will. Kellaway, of London, gents., *v.* Tobye Combe, esq., and John Combe, senior, gent. Defts. having sold the manor of lordship of Abbots Langley als. Lees Langley, in Co. Herts., 1 cap. mess. and other lands and tents. there to plts. now with others of their name pretend title to the said premises, and disturb plts. in their enjoyment thereof.

E.e. $\frac{7}{17}$. . . . . 1646. The answer of Joseph Peters, one of defts. to bill of Christopher Emerson, Mic. Oldsworth and others. [Bill missing.] Mentions Sutton Marsh.

E.e. $\frac{7}{14}$. 22 June, 1639. Alexander E., of Caster, in Co. Linc., gent., Edw. Welcome, of Markett Staynton in sd. Co., gent., and Susanna Fawdyn, of Goxhill, in said Co., widow. Hen. Welby, esq., was seised of certain parts, dales and plots of meadow in the marshes of G oxhill, cont. more than 330 a. which paid tithes to the rectory of Goxhill, and plts. being seised of sd. Rectory are also seised of a movable fee-simple in sd. prem. They demised sd. rectory to divers tenants The said meadow has since the death of said Welby, come to Hen. Hillyard, esq., who has demised them to John Sands, Nic. Smyth, John Barnard and —— Burrell, who refuse to pay any tithes to sd. rectory. (Answer annexed.)

E.e. $\frac{8}{21}$. This is merely a continuation of the above, in which the name of Ric. Derham occurs. No Emersons.

E.e. $\frac{12}{8}$. The answer of John Browne, merchant, to bill of Christopher Emerson, merchant. Before plt. travelled beyond the seas, he and deft. "came to an accompt.," when it was found that plt. owed him more than £200.

E.e. $\frac{12}{7}$. 22 June, 1642. Bill of Robert Emerson, of Appleby, in Co. Westmoreland, *v.* John Winter and Rowland Wilson. Plt. having bought a mess., tent and burgage in Appleby of defts. in order to help the sd. Rowland, who had "become much necessitated for moneys," defts. now try to "stripp and defeat" him of the same.

E.e. $\frac{1}{7}$. 22 July, 1647. Hen. Emerson, of City of Norwich, draper, *v.* Thomas Unde wood and Will. Harryman, citizens and drapers of London Susan E., plt.'s mother, relict of Allen E., about March, 1642, become bound to defts. to pay them £70, being debts of sd. Allen. The said Susan sold her business to John Warren, her son-in-law, now decd., who agreed to pay her debts. The sd. John died intestate, and Christr. Jay, of Norwich, took out Letters of Admon., and defts. sued him upon the security given by the sd. Warren.

E.e. $\frac{14}{14}$. Bill, dated 13 Nov., 1633, of John Emerson, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, merchant, *v.* Will. Anderson, of the same, merchant. It was agreed that deft. for £400 should convey to plt. the burgage called the New Building, sometime parcel of a great burgage called the Earle's Inne in Newcastle, then in the poss. of John Blakeston, merchant of Newcastle, and this he did by conveyance dated 29 Ap., 7 Chas. I. [1631]. Now deft. keeps some rooms in sd. tent. to his own use.

E.e. $\frac{13}{7}$. Bill dated 27 Ap., 1627, of Christr. E., of Tunstall, in Co. Durham, yeoman, and Ann his wife, dau. of Philip Suddicke, deced., *v.* John Ditchant and Margaret his wife, Francis Suddicke and Robt. Catchside, defts. The said Philip, having lands in Hesleden, in Co. Durham, agreed to be thereof seised to use of himself and Anne his wife, for their lives, and afterwards to use of Michael, one of his sons (he had several children) and Anne, one of plts. The sd. Mic. died in lifetime of sd. Philip, so the moiety of said lands came to Frances his dau. Defts. refuse to pay £50 to sd. Anne, left her by will of her sd. father.

E.e. $\frac{13}{10}$. Bill, dated 21 May, 1647, of Alex. Emerson, of Caster, in Co. Linc., Esq., *v.* Rob. Sergeant, of Barnetby. Robt. Kelke, esq., whose ancestors for about 200 years had held the Rectory, parsonage, or tithes of Barnetby, in Co. Lincs., for the sum of £100, demised same to plt., who, about the beginning of 1641, surrendered to Bp. of Linc. the original lease thereof, made to John Parker. The sd.

Bp. by ind. dated 16 Ap., 1641, demised sd. prem. to plt. for the lives of Thos. and Alex., 2 of the sons, and Dorothy, one of the daus. of plt. The sd. Rob. Sergeant being a contentious man of a very "crabbed and crookt conuersacon," about 3 or 4 years ago persuaded Mrs. Parker and her dau. to pretend a title in sd. prem. in order to do plt. out of same.

E.e. $\frac{1}{3}$. Bill, dated 30 Oct., 1630, of George Emerson, of Brackenhill, in Co. Durham, gent., *v.* Christr. Harrison, of Eastgate, in Stanhope Park, in sd. Co. By ind. dated July, 14 Jas I. [1616], Wm. Bp. of Durham demised to George E., of the Eastgate, in Stanhope Park, gent., decd., the mess. called the Eastgate, in Werdale, and a parcel of ground there called the High of the Parke, in the ten. of sd. George, during the lives of plt. Geo. E., John E, and Hen. E., sons of Raphe E., of Unthanke, in Co. Durham, gent. So seised the sd. Geo. E., of Eastgate, by ind. dated March, 15 Jas. I., made bet. himself of 1 part, and the sd. Ralph, by the name of Raphe E., of Wolsingham, bro. of sd. Geo., Ric. E., of Ludwell, Geo. E., of Barneton, and plt., by name of Geo. E., s. of sd. Raphe, gent., of the other part, granted sd. prem. to sd. Raphe, Ric., Geo. and plt. for lives of plt. and of the said John and Hen. E. A lease of the sd. prem. for 8 years had been made to Christr. Harrison, of Eastgate, and at his request a further lease for 5 years was made to him by ind. dated Dec , 2 Chas. I. [1626], bet. the sd. Geo. E., of Eastgate, and plt. by name of Geo. E., junior, of Wolsingham, gent., and the sd. Christr. H. at the yearly rent of £90. Geo. E., of Eastgate, made his will about Oct., 3 Chas. I., and devised sd. prem. to plt., as his nephew, and £10 year to sd. Christopher H., his bro.-in-law, and made plt. his exor. The sd. Christr. have got poss. of sd. original lease, now refuses to pay rent.

*E.e. $\frac{1}{4}$. Bill, dated 4 Nov., 1633, of Eliz Emerson, the elder, and Eliz. E., the younger, "fatherless and motherless children," daus. of Thos. E., late of Hadley, in co. Midd., esq., deced., by Anth. Skynner and Rob. Nun, genta., their guardians, *v.* Thomas Hensloe and Mary, his wife, and Will. Connyers. The sd. Thos. E. was poss. of divers manors, lands, etc., in cos. Midd., York, Bucks, Surr., Durham and Linc., and in the cities of Loudon and Bristol; also of estates and leases in many manors, etc., in the same and other counties, of great yearly value, particularly of manors of Bradbury and Hilton, in co. Durham, of yearly value of £1000, and the west park of Brancepeth of yearly value of £160, and of plate, jewels, etc., of value of £1000 at the least. About 18 Sept., 1620, sd. Thos. made his will and beq. to plts. the said manors of Bradbury and Hilton, wherein he had estate for 1000 years, for 7 years; he died about 2 years after leaving plts. under the age of 7 years. The sd. will got into the hands of Rob. Mottelot, now of London, who hid it. Jane, widow of sd. Thos. E., took out Letters of Admon., but died about 3 years after her husband. Then John E., 2nd s. of sd. Jane, thinking she d. intestate, combined with Thos. E., his eldest bro., and took out admon. of her goods, valued £1000. The sd. Thos. made his will, 1 Oct., 1631, and beq. to his younger bro. Thos. [*sic*] and to plts. all his lands, etc. Admon. thereof granted to Mary, his relict, who poss. herself of sd. manors of Bradbury and Hilton and park of Brancepeth; which sd. Mary has since marr. Thos. Hensloe, gent. The defts. have all combined to defraud plts., who pray for remedy. (2 several answers attached.)

[The dates are not given in the Calendars, merely Chas. I.]

E.e. $\frac{1}{5}$. Bill, dated 11 Nov., 1644, of Christr. Emerson, of London, merchant, and Alice Housden, widow and executrix of John Housden, *v.* Ric. Housden, brother (?) of Anne Housden, deced. Mentions various suits bet. the said parties commencing in 1634. This bill is of enormous length, and the right-hand side is torn away. Towards the end it says: the said John Housden made his will, 12 July, 1642, and thereby bequeathed to Christr. E., his son-in-law, his interest in certain moneys due to him. (No further particulars about the said Christr.)

E.e. $\frac{1}{1}$. Bill, dated 1 May, 1627, of Raph Emerson, of Wolsingham, in Co. Durham, gent., and Mary, his wife, *v.* John Wright, of Kelvedon, Esq., esq. Whereas John Canham, of Little Cressingham, in Co. Norff., gent., was about 20 years ago seised of 1 copyhold tent. and 40 a. of land, meadow and pasture in Brandon Ferry, in Co. Suff., in the tenor of plts., and the sd. Ralph E. having about 16 years before marr. the sd. Mary, d. of John Wright, late of Kelvedon, in Co. Essex, esq., now deced., the sd. John Wright bought the sd. prem. and surrendered them to John, his son, to the sole use of the sd. Mary, she then having several children by the sd. Ralph. Plts. continued in poss. thereof for about 10 years, and until they went to live in Co. Durham, where the sd. Ralph had been born, and then the sd. John Wright sold the sd. prem. for £135, which he refuses to pay to plts.

E.e. $\frac{1}{2}$. Bill, dated 11 June, 1638, of John Emerson, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Merchant Adventurer, *v.* Thos. Redshaw and Will. Holmes. Suit about John Race, of Rippon, who was made apprentice to sd. John E., Thos. Redshaw and Hugh Ripley being his bondsmen.

E.e. $\frac{1}{3}$. Bill, dated 3 May, 1620, of Edw. Emerson, of London, brewer, *v.* Rob. Swann. Thos. Emerson, of London, brewer, with Robt. Swann, his surety, stood bound in the sum of £100 to one Groome, and entered into a bond, dated Aug., 20 Jas. I. [1622], for counter security for sd. Swann. The sd. Thos. died owing £1000, and the sd. Swann claimed a large sum of plt. as admor. of his goods, etc.

E.e. $\frac{2}{3}$. Bill, dated 8 Feb., 1635, of Ric. Emerson, of Blunsham als. Bluntisham, in Co. Hunts, gent., *v.* Joan Vavisor, John Vasior and Nic. Palferryman, of Blunsham. Exchange of lands bet. the sd. parties, defts. giving to plt. 1 "rode" of land in Higham Furlong in the fields of Blunsham, for 1½ "rode" of ground in Convay field. Afterwards dfts. put plt. out of his poss. thereof.

E.e. $\frac{2}{3}$. Bill, dated 5 May, 1635, of John Emerson, of Brereton, in Co. Durham, yeoman, *v.* Rob. Chilton, of Brereton. Symon E., of Brereton, brother of plt., was seised of 2 mess. in Brereton, by lease made 31 May, 44 Eliz., 1602, and held the same until 3 June, 5 Jas. I. [1607], when he assigned to plt. all his interest therein. About 20 Jas. I. [1622], plt. deputed Rob. Chilton, of Brereton, to be his bailiff, and he, confederating with Christr. Armstrong, of Brereton, yeoman, got poss. of sd. Ind., and so obtained poss. of premises.

* E.e. $\frac{1}{4}$. Bill, dated 4 Nov., 1633, of Eliz. Emerson, the elder, and Eliz. E., the younger, daus. of Thos. E., late of Hadley, in Co. Midd., esq., deceased, *v.* John Emerson, Thos. Hensloe, and Mary, his wife, Ric. Manning and Rob. Matlett. [*See* E.e. $\frac{1}{4}$. No further information.] A long answer annexed, one side of which is torn. Deft., John E., says that the sd. Thos. E., the elder, his father, revoked his sd. will, wh. was found amongst some waste papers. The sd. Thos. left to sd. John, his son, £36 per ann., issuing out of lands in Southwark and houses near the Tower of London. To Will. E., another son, an annuity of £30. Deft. "Ric. Manning . . . . . being bro.-in-law by marr. to the sd. Mary Hensloe, deft.," helped her to manage her affairs.

E.e. $\frac{1}{6}$. The replication of Christr. Emerson and Anne his wife, plts., to the answers of John Dichant and Margaret his wife, Frances Suddick and Rob. Catchside, defts. Dispute concerning the will of Phillip Suddick, whereby £50 is left to sd. Ann.

E.e. $\frac{2}{3}$. Bill, dated 26 June, 1637, of George Emerson, citizen and carpenter, of London, *v.* Robert E., Eliz. E. and Peter Bainbrigg. Geo. E., of Cutclose, in Co. Durham, yeoman, was heretofore seized of 1 tent. and certain lands called Spartilee in Wardale, in the par. of Stanhope, in Co. Durham, worth £5 yearly. He had issue, John E., plt.'s father, whom he allowed to live in his house until his death about 2 years ago. Some time afterwards the sd. Geo. for a large sum of money conveyed the sd. prem. to plt. as s. and h. of the sd. John. As plt. lived so far away, he asked Peter Bainbrigg, weaver, who held the sd. prem. under yearly rents to take a lease thereof, but he refused, saying he held the same under Eliz. E., widow of Ric. E., late of Ludwell, in Co. Durham, and Robt. E., of Fetherston Hough, in Co. Northbland., yeoman, s. and h. of Arthur E., brother and heir of sd. Ric. E., who d. without issue. Deft. have poss. of deeds, etc., relating to right. of sd. Geo. E., who is now over 80, and unable to go to law, and so they seek to defraud plt.

E.e. $\frac{1}{1}$. The replication of Alexander Emerson, plt., to the answer of John Stanhope, esq., deft. Mentions the moiety of the rectory or parsonage of Goxhill, which plt. purchased of deft.

E.e. $\frac{1}{1}$. The replication of Alexr. Emerson, esq., to the answer of Thos. Hoofe, deft. Dispute as to lands. County not given.

E.e. $\frac{1}{1}$. The replication of Humphrey Emerson and others to the answers of John Bennett and others. Nothing to show what the suit was about.

E.e. $\frac{1}{1}$. The replication of Christr. Emerson and Will. Wise, esquires, and others, plts., to the answers of Geo. Johnson, esq., Joseph Peters and Hen. Derham, gent., defts. Nothing to show what the suit was about.

E.e. $\frac{1}{1}$. The replicatiom of Alexr. Emerson, gent., Edw. Welcome, gent., and Susanna Fawdyn, widow, plts., to the answers of Henry Hillyard, esq., and John Barnard, gent., defts. Concerning the tithes of the Rectory of ? [no name given].

E.e. $\frac{1}{6}$. The replication of Geo. Emerson, Will. Emerson and Francis Fullthrop, plts., to the answer of John Wadsworth, deft. Brian E., as servant to deft., helped

him in his wine business, and went abroad for him, but did not stay away longer than was necessary, and did not waste any goods either abroad or on the journey home, or in York, as in the said answer is untruly pretended.

Chas. I., E.e. ¼. The answers of Thos. Hensloe and Mary, his wife, 2 of the defts. to the bill of Eliz. Emerson, the elder, and Eliz. E., the younger, by Anthony Skynner and Rob. Nun, their guardians. Defts. say that true it is that Thos. Emerson, the father, was seised of the sd. manors and lands of Bradbury and Hilton, and the west Park of Braunspeth, in Co. Durham, but they do not believe the said manors are worth more than £80 per ann., besides the yearly rent payable to his Majesty out of the same; they have heard that the said Park of Brancepeth was let by Thos. E., the son, for £50 per ann. Defts. did not know the sd. Thos. E., the father, but they have heard that long after his death a "scrole," or waste paper, came into the hands of the sd. Rob. Matlatt purporting to be the will of sd. Thos. E.; also that the sd. Thos. E. revoked the sd. pretended will, dated about 2 years before his death. Not long since the sd. Thos. Hensloe, deft., saw in the hands of the sd. Ric. Manning a deed made by the sd. Jane E., wife of sd. Thos. E., wherein some provision was made for plts. out of the sd. manors of Bradbury and Hilton, in which deed there was a power of revocation upon the tendering of 10s. by the sd. Jane, which revocation deft. afterwards saw. John E., deft., after death of sd. Jane, took out Letters of Admon. of her goods, and afterwards by a deed for a good sum of money conveyed to the sd. Thos. E., the son, all his right in the sd. administration, and in further consideration of about £243, which the sd. Thos. paid to the King for arrears of rent out of the sd. manors of Bradbury and Hilton, and £360 due to his Majesty in "Nomine penæ" for non-payment of sd. rent and for not enrolling the lease of sd. manors granted by his Majesty to the sd. Thos. E., the father, for the discharge whereof the sd. Thos. E., the son, suffered great trouble and charge, notwithstanding which the sd. lands are still liable and chargeable thereunto. Defts. believe that the sd. Thos., the son, by virtue of sd. assignment, possessed himself of the estate of sd. Jane and of all the deeds and evidences concerning the same, and soon afterwards sold the sd. West Park of Brancepeth to Hen. Guib, Esq., for a rent charge or annuity of £55 per ann. payable during the lives of the sd. Thos., the younger, of this deft., Mary, then his wife and now the wife of deft., Thos. Hensloe, and the life of Rob. Tatton. The sd. Thos. E., the son, after the sd. assignment, received the rents and profits of sd. manors, and made his will as in the sd. bill is declared. After the death of sd. Thos. admon. of his goods was committed to sd. Mary, deft., who, by virtue thereof, possessed herself of sd. manors and the writings concerning the same. The judge of the Prerogative Court caused a commission to be taken and directed to 2 skilful and indifferent men, one of whom was chosen on behalf of plts., to appraise the goods, etc., of sd. Thos., which over and above the sd. manors of Bradbury and Hilton, amounted to above £321 18s. 10d. The sd. Mary, deft., says that neither before her marriage with sd. Thos. Hensloe, nor since, has she received any other goods of sd. Thos. E., the son, than the sd. lands and goods. Finding that the debts of the sd. Thos. E. far exceeded his goods, the sd. Thos. Hensloe, deft., proposed to sell the said manors of Bradbury and Hilton, and after his marr. with sd. Mary, the same were sold for £540 to Ciprian Day, about June, 1631. Deft. Mary says it is true that the sd. Thos. E., her former husband, and the sd. Jane entered into a bond of £2500 to Sir Geo. Wrottesley, Knt., for defts'. use, for her jointure, which she had good reason to expect, as she had for her portion a fair and great estate which the sd. Thos. afterwards sold for £1200, besides an annuity of £120 payable out of the said lands, which sd. bond is not yet discharged. One of the plts'. guardians has tried hard to get the sd. bond out of the hands of sd. Sir George, hoping thereby to "defeat" the sd. Mary out of her sd. jointure. 31 Dec., 1633.

11 Jan., 1633—4. The answer of Wm. Connyers, deft. After the death of sd. Thos. E., the father, the sd. Jane E. demised the said manors of Hilton and Bradbury to deft. for 7 years from the 3rd May, 3 Chas. I [1627], under the yearly rent of £550 payable to the King, and the yearly rent of £80 payable to the said Jane; also the herbage of Branspith West Park, under the yearly rent of £20, payable to his Majesty, and £50 to sd. Jane. After the death of sd. Jane, *i.e.*, about June, 5 Chas. I. [1629], Thos. E., her eldest son, having gone to inspect the sd. manors and park, caused deft. to surrender his sd. lease, and by ind., dated 20 June, in sd. 5th year demised sd. prem. to deft. for 21 years under the same rents, with a proviso that at the end of every 7 years deft. should be at liberty to give up his sd. lease. About 4 years ago the sd. Thos. E., the son, sold his interest in Brancepeth West park to Hen. Gibb, esq., and caused deft. to give up his lease, since which time deft. has held same as tenant to sd. Gibb.

CHANCERY PROCEEDINGS. JAS. I.

B. ⅜. Bill, dated 29 June, 1622, by Richard Barrowe, of Boughton Aluffe, Co. Kent, gent., *v.* Thomas Emerson, Edward Emerson and William Barrowe. Thomas Emerson, innholder, of London, advanced money to Theophilus Stackwood, orator's stepfather: and when orator came of age and entered into his property, said Emerson tried to arrange a marriage between him and a kinswoman of sd. Emerson, daughter of one Edward Emerson. After he had obtained complt.'s name to various bonds, etc., he refused to carry out his promises or the marriage. Answer of Thomas and Edward Emerson, dated 10 July, 1622, contains no further information *re* the Emerson family.

B. ⅛. Bill, dated 14 May, 1622, by Thomas Browker, of the Inner Temple, London, Esq., *v.* Thomas Emerson. Complt.'s father was joint possessor with others of estates in Enfield, and in raising a mortgage thereon, to avoid certain claims, made an assurance of the premises to himself and one Thomas Emerson, of London, Esq., as his trustee; said Emerson has taken a treacherous advantage of his confidence, and claims rights in the premises. Answer of Thomas Emerson, dated 20 May, 1622, states that Hugh Browker, father of Complt., was uncle to defdt., being his mother's brother, and the asserted trust was in consideration of sums of money lent by defdt.

C. ⅞. Bill, dated 1 July, 1612, by William Cropwell, of Cottenham, Co. Cambridge, labourer, *v.* William Emerson and Katherine, his wife. William Emerson, of Cottenham, husbandman, married the widow of Clement Cropwell, the said Katherine; she was married to Cropwell only a short time. Suit is brot. for payment of a legacy with which the Copyhold lands enjoyed by Katherine as Cropwell's widow, are charged. The answer of William Emerson and Katherine, his wife, dated 5 Oct., 10 Jas. I., states the copyhold is worth about £10 per an., but gives no further particulars of the family.

H. ⅛. Bill, dated 10 Nov., 1623, by Edward Holland, of St. George Hatley, Co. Cambridge, *v.* Michaell Emerson. A certain mess. in Barrowe, Co. Lincoln, left by Thomas Holland, decd., uncle of orator, descended to orator, and during his minority was administered by one Michaell Emerson, of Serby, Co. Lincoln, who withholds deeds and appropriates profits, etc. The answer of Michael Emerson, gent., dated 28 Nov., 1623, denies the truth of the charges, but gives no particulars about himself.

R. ⅞. Bill, dated 14 May, 1604, by Jone Richards, of London, widow, *v.* Emme Emerson and Thomas Richards. The Complt's. husband, the late John Richards, Cit. of London, by will dated 9 June, 42 Eliz., appointed Humfrey Emerson, of Southwark, his sole exor., who proved the will, but refused to satisfy Complt. as to her legal third. The said Emerson, about Oct. last, made his will, and appointed Emme Emerson, his wife, sole exx., shortly after which he died. Thomas Richards, her son, has recd. satisfaction of his claims, and now combines with said Emme E. to defraud Complt. The answer of Emme Emerson, widow, dated 21 May, 1604, denies having received anything since her husband's death on a/c of Richard's estate, and says her husband had often in his lifetime been greatly annoyed by complt.

R. ⅛. Bill, dated 22 Apr., 1618, by William Roydon and Margerie, his wife, *v.* Arthure Emmerson and Anne, his wife, and Christopher Hopper and Isabell, his wife. *Re* legacy left to said Margerie by her father, Richard White, the exon. of whose will had been undertaken for his relict, Alice, appted. exx. by Thomas Cragge, her brother, with the assistance of Emerson. The said Emerson brought up Complt., Margerie, during her minority. Emerson and Hopper are Cragg's exors., and refuse to pay the said legacy. Answer of all the defdts., dated 13 Jan., 1618—9, states that Emerson took Complt., Margerie, into his house, out of pity, about 20 years ago, and fed and clothed her for about 9 months, because she was his wife's kinswoman, but did not maintain her in any other wise.

S. ⅜. Bill, dated 18 April, 1608, by John Strelley, gent., Anne, his wife, and Millicent Woolhouse, *v.* Alexander Emerson and Alexander Williams. The deeds and evidences relating to a mess. and lands in Marshe Chappell, parish of Fulstowe, Co. Linc., formerly belonging to one Patrick Sacheverll, gent., decd., and from him descending to Complts., have fallen into the hands of Alexander Emerson, yeom., and Alexander Williams, gent., and they pretend to have recd. a conveyance of the premises. By answer, dated 30 Apr., 1608, Alexr. Williams says he knows neither Complts. or other defdt. The answer of Alexander Emerson who was sworn at Glamford Briggs, Co. Linc., 29 Sept., 6 Jas I., states he bot. the premises in ques-

tion about 2 years ago of Sir Stephen Slany, of London, Kt., the sd. Slany having them by good conveyance from Patrick Sacheverell, Alexr. Williams having previously held a mortgage on them.

S. $\frac{19}{20}$. Bill, dated 10 July, 1614, by Sir Edward Stanhope, of Celington, Co. York, Knight, *v.* Alexander Emerson. About 26 Eliz. Queen Eliz. granted the moiety of the Rectory of Gawxhill, Co. Linc., to Sir Edwd. Stanhope, complt.'s father, at rent of £28 per an., for a term of lives, wh. expired. It was then granted by Jas. I. to Francis Phillips and Francis Morice, who conveyed it to John Stanhope, who, by deed dated . . . . conveyed it to Alexander Emerson, of Brigge, Co. Linc., butcher. Stanhope had previously, during his possession, conveyed the moiety of the Rectory to said Alexr. E. and Alexander, his son; no deeds were drawn, and Emerson refuses to carry out his share of the bargain. The answer of Alexander Emerson, taken at Cayster, Co. Lincoln, 17 Sept., 12 Jas. I., before Michael Spencer and Michael Emerson, gent.; said defdt. lives at Glamford Briggs, Co. Linc. In regard to the proposed conveyance of the moiety of the Rectory from Stanhope to himself, defdt. consulted one Michael Emerson, an attorney. Gives no further Emerson details.

S. $\frac{23}{24}$. The answer of Alexander Emerson, the elder, to the Complt. of John Stanhope, Esq., taken at Glamford Briggs 8 June, 13 James, before Thomas Pocklington and Michael Emerson, *re* title to moiety of Rectory of Gouxhill, as above, wh he bot. of Complainant for £1025 in Oct, 9 Jas. I., to himself and his son Alexr. (then not above 8 years old) and their heirs.

T. $\frac{6}{7}$. Bill dated 8 May, 1609, by John Turbervyle, of the Boro' of Southwark, Co. Surrey, *v.* Henry Emerson and James Turbervyle. Complt. has married the widow and admrx. of estate of Thomas Norton, late of Southwark, Innholder, and after their marriage, Henry Emerson, of Southwark, gent., became a suitor for Elizabeth Norton, eldest daughter of said Thomas, whereupon Complt. promised Elizabeth a portion of £50 over and above the legacy left her by her father when she should be 18, or on marriage. Part was paid on the marriage, and Orator, about 10 Sept., 1 Jas. I., entered into a bond with one James Turbervyle to pay the remainder of the money to said Henry in the then mansion house of the said Henry near St. Margaret's Hill, Southwark, by Michaelmas 1604. The suit arises out of Emerson's conduct with regard to these bonds.

T. $\frac{5}{16}$. Bill, dated 25 Oct., 1624, by Robert Tillettson, of Southwark, Co. Surrey, innholder, *v.* Edward Emerson and Robert Swanne. Richard Wilbraham, of London, Brewer, about 4 (?) years ago, then dwelling at the sign of the George, near Fleet Bridge, London, let the same to one Thomas Emerson, late of London, Innholder, decd., and Complt. served Emerson as tapster, paying Emerson percentage on all the ale, etc., he sold. Said Thomas Emerson died about 2 years since, of a very good and sufficient estate, his widow being admx.; one Edward Emerson, being amongst others engaged in various sureties for sd. Thomas, persuaded said widow to resign admon., which he took upon himself, and has turned Complt. out of the George, pretending he owes money to late Thomas' estate. The answer of defdts., dated 1 Nov., 1624, gives nothing further *re* Emerson.

T. $\frac{1}{2}$. Bill, dated 26 Jan., 1623. Further matter in the same suit as above (Tillettson *v.* Emerson and Swan). From Edward Emerson's answer, it appears Thomas Emerson made his wife Joan his exx., but it proving that his estate was not sufft. to discharge his debts, she renounced the exon.

T. $\frac{11}{12}$. Bill dated 13 Feb., 1608—9, by Joseph Thornton, of Shopland, Co. Essex, gent., *v.* Thomas Emerson. Complt. has possessed premises in St. Olave's, Hart Street, near the Tower of London, originally granted by Queen Elizabeth, 28 Feb., 38th year of her reign, to Thomas Hobson and Edmond Thornton; but one Thomas Emerson, Esq., pretends he holds demise of the same premises by letters patent from King James, dated 3 June, 5 Jas. I., and demands rent therefore.

CHANCERY PROCEEDINGS. CHAS. I.

A. $\frac{13}{14}$. Bill, dated 14 Feb., 1647—8, by Bartram Anderson, junr., of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, merchant, *v.* John Emerson. Complt.'s father held mess. in Newcastle, wh. has descended to Complt., of which John Emerson, merchant, of Newcastle, was tenant at will; about six years since he obtained the deeds, etc., thereof from Complt.'s grandfather, as evidence in a suit which he had against William Carr; which he still detains. The answer of John Emerson, merchant, dated 7 Apr., 1648, says the mess. in question was in the Close, Newcastle, and was called Davell's House, or the Earl's Inn, and that he bot. it of William Anderson, Complt.'s father, by deed dated 2 May, 1631. Defdt. is a corn mercht., etc.

C. $\frac{17}{18}$. Bill [the writ on which is dated 14 March, 8 Car. I.], by Humphrey Colles, of Costlen, Co. Glouc., gent., *v.* Edward Emerson, William Bankes and Richard Norris. In Aug., 1611, Orator, together with defdt., Wm. Bankes, of London, entered into a bond to pay £30 to one Edward Emerson, of London, brewer, on behalf of Sir John Chamberlane, late of Presberi, Co. Glouc., decd. Orator has never to his knowledge seen Emerson. Money was provided at once to pay bond, because Emerson was in want of money for his rent, in order to save his lease. Bankes has kept the bond uncancelled, and now sues for payment, Emerson being a mere puppet or else an accomplice. The answer of Edward Emerson was taken at Ynysarwed, Co. Glamorgan, 16 May, 1633; he has been for many years a prisoner in the King's Bench for debt, on a/c of having been surety for Sir John Chamberlane and ors.; he did not hide himself to avoid pltff.; but having at last legally obtained liberty, and being unable to satisfy his creditors, withdrew into a safe place.

C. $\frac{1}{2}\frac{2}{3}$. Is the replication, dated 23 Oct., 1633, of Humphrey Colles, to answer of Edward Emerson; it contains nothing further.

D. $\frac{14}{15}$. Bill, dated 6 July, 1647, by John Dalton, of Barrowe, Co. Linc., gent., *v.* Alexander Emerson. By agreement, dated 8 June, 1624, Complt. agreed to sell to one Alexander Emerson, late of Glamford Briggs, Co. Linc., certain premises in Barton-on-Humber, sd. Co., for £640; Alexr. granting complt. and his wife a 14 years' lease at £40 ann. rent. This agreemt. was executed duly; and said Alexander conveyed his rights to one Alexr. Emerson, of Caister, Co. Linc., Esq., and afterwards died. About 15 years since Complt. mortgaged land in Barton to sd. Alexander, the younger; and Emerson has since advanced other sums on other lands there. Sues him for various unjust entries on his property, etc., etc. The signed Plea and demurrer of Alexander Emerson, dated 14 July, 1647, states that defdt. is exor. of will of Anne Emerson, relict and exx. of the said Alexander Emerson (the elder), decd.

D. $\frac{15}{16}$. The Replication, dated Hil. term, 21 Car. I., of Richard Derham, Complt., to answer of Christopher Emerson. (Contains no facts.) The Plea of Christopher Emerson, gent. (sworn the same term). to the above Replication. The real object of the replication is to be relieved against several judgmts. obtained in the King's Bench by defdt. and Wm. Wise, against complt. and other tenants of Sutton Marsh, Co. Linc. Wise, Emerson and others jointly hold the said lands. There is nothing further about Emerson.

D. $\frac{23}{24}$. The answer of Alexander Emerson, gent., to Complt. of John Dalton, 29 Jan., 1647—8. Alexander Emerson, father and son, made agreement with Dalton, but as Dalton and his wife did not carry out their part, said Alexr., the son, could not be bound by it. Katherine, wife of Alexr., the son, received some part of the lands in question; and by conveyance from sd. Katherine and Alexr., the father, defendant became seised of the lands. Has received no rent since Michaelmas, 1638. (This defdt. is the one who lent sums to Barton; so that there are 3 Alexanders mentioned in this doct., and only 2 in D. $\frac{14}{15}$.) Defdt. took an assignment of Complt.'s corn as part paymt. of debt; some of it was taken by the garrison at Kingston, and defdt. recovered the keys of granary only with trouble from the Commee. at Hull; and he sent some of the remr. to Gaynsburgh, then a garrison of the Parlt., but it was shortly after taken and plundered by the King's party. There was an agreemt. between Anne, wife of Alexr. Emerson, the father, and said John Dalton.

F. $\frac{5}{6}$. Bill, dated 13 Feb., 1627—8, by Alexander Farewell, of Houlbrook, Co. Somerset, Gent., *v.* Thomas Emorson, Jane Emorson and James Farewell. Complt.'s father, with Complt.'s money, about 40 Eliz., bot. annuity for said Complt., of one Thomas Emorson, then of the Inner Temple, London, Esq., out of said Thomas's Manor lands, etc., for paymt. of which he gave bond. Said Thomas died about 4 or 5 years since, when all his Manor lands and goods, etc., descended to Thomas, his s. and h., some of them being conveyed in jointure to Jane, widow of sd. Thos., decd. Said Jane and Thomas, as exors. of sd. Thos., decd., conspired with James Farewell, exor. of Complt.'s father, to defraud him. The answer of Thomas Emerson, Esq., is dated 12 May, 1628. After his father's death about 4 years ago, his mother undertook admon. of estate, which was encumbered with debts. Since then his mother also has died. His father died possessed of tents. in the Boro' of Southwark; and in the Crutched Friars, in London.

E. $\frac{17}{18}$. Bill, dated 27 May, 1650, by John Elrington, of Elrington, Co. Northumbld., Esq., *v.* Thomas Bee, William Emerson and Lionell Emerson. In Oct., 1639, an agreement was made (to provide payment for stock bot. of Complt.) between Complt. and Thomas Bee, of the Lymestoneburne in Allendale, Co. Northbld., gent., and William Emerson,

ate of Estyate, Co. Durham, yeoman; the two latter on their own behalf and also for one Ralph Emerson and Lionell Emerson, then both of Shitlowburne, yeomen. They all failed to fulfil their promise of payment, and Complt. sued them in the King's Bench, Trin. term, 19 Chas. I., but was forced to desist by the wars; said Ralph is dead, but the others ought to be made to pay.

F. ⅛. Bill, dated 24 May, 1637, by John Fawldinge, of Vlceby (Ulceby), Co. Lincoln, yeoman, eldest s. of Thomas F., late of Goxhill, yeom., *v.* Alexander Emerson and Susan Fawldinge. After death of Complt.'s father, last summer, one Alexander Emerson, of Sereby, Co. Linc., Esq., entered into land that should rightfully descend by inheritance to Complt., pretending rights as mortgagee; and has conspired with Susan, his stepmother, relict of said Thomas, to defraud Complt. Alexander E nerson's answer is dated 23 May, 1637; it gives nothing further about himself.

G. ⅜. The replicat on [? Hil., 2 Car. I.] of Robert Goodhall and others, to the answer of Michael Emerson, one of the defdts. (Contains no facts.)

K. ¼. Answer, dated 18 Nov., 1644, of Mahew Emerson gent., one of the defdts. to Complt. of Richard Kidwell. The suit concerns the tithes and glebe lands of the Rector of Streatham. Emerson denies he was at any time a servant to the other defdt., Robert Tooker, Rector of Streatham; though he married the maidservant, or former maidservant, of sd. Tooker. The lease of the tithes was granted in 1639. Emerson farmed the tithes for some time, but lost by it.

M. ⅛. The replication, undated, of Jenkin Morgan, Esq., Complt., to the answer of the defdts., Christopher Emerson and Robert Thompson. Edward Emerson, father-in-law of Jenkin Morgan, the Complt., took up a mortgage on certain lands of one Arthur Emerson, which mortgage was never paid off as pretended. One Marie (mentioned in the Bill, and since the act referred to decd.) got possession of the evidences; which were never conveyed to Marie by sd. Arthur, nor descended from her to defdts.

M. ⅜. Bill, dated 21 Nov., 1648, by Edward Manning, of London, gent, *v.* Mathew Emerson and Humfrie Emerson. One John Emerson, gent., decd., brother and h. of Thomas Emerson, Esq., decd., s. and h. of Thomas Emerson, Esq., decd., s. and h. of John Emerson, Esq., s. and h. of Wm. Emerson also decd, sold 3 mess. and a tent. used for a prison, etc., in the Boro' of Southwark, to one Rd. Manning, about 8 Jas. I., and sd. Manning (and your Orator after his death) enjoyed said premises till 2 or 3 years ago, when one Mathewe Emerson, s. of Henry Emerson, who was s. of Thomas, the younger son of William Emerson, commonly called the Boyer, long since decd., brought a writ of ejectment against Orator. Mathewe and Humfrey his brother pretend they have rights. The answer of Humfrey Emerson, dated 18th Jan., 1648—9, says Manning had right to hold sd. premises only for term of life of Eme Emerson, wife of Humphrey Emerson, this defdt.'s uncle, viz., younger brother of Henry Emerson, defdt.'s father, decd., and soon after death of said Eme, *i.e.*, about 2 or 3 days last past, Mathew, this defdt.'s elder brother, sealed lease of ejectment against Manning. The answer of Mathew Emerson, dated 25 April, 1649, says one Humphrey Emerson, being seised of the said premises, left reversion thereof to Henry Emerson, defdt.'s father, after the death of said Humphrey and Eme, his wife. Said Henry died about 23 years since. Defdt. made a lease of premises to one Samuell Gilpin, to try his title.

N. ⅛. Bill, dated 13 Nov., 1632, by Christopher Nevell, of the Close of Lincolne, gent., *v.* Alexander Emerson. Alexander Emerson, the father and son, were seised of the moiety of the Rectory of Goxhill, Co. Linc., etc. Alexander, the son, about July or Aug., 1626, married Katherine, d. of Complt., when A., the father, settled the said property on his son. Alexr., the son, and his wife, having no house, lived with Complt. for three years after their marriage; in return for which A., the son, gave complt. a lien on sd. property (by indre. dated 1 Nov., 1 Chas I.), after his father's death; and on 11th Nov., 5 Chas. I., conveyed said property to trustees to use of himself and wife, remr. to Thomas Emerson, their son; after which sd. A. E., the son, died; and about 3 months afterwards the sd. Thomas died; Alexr., the father, and Katherine conspired to defraud Complt.; after wh. Alex., senr., died (about 2 years ago). The suit is brought against Alexander Emerson, the son-in-law of Alexr., senr. The answer of Alexr. Emerson, dated 23 Nov., 1632, gives no further particulars.

P. ⅛. The replication, dated Hil. [? year], of Elizabeth Parham, widow, to answers of Thomas Emerson als. Metham, and Thomas Weeks, gent. (Part is torn away.) Regarding some bond said to have been forced on Complt. by Metham als. Emerson; contains no Emerson details.

O. ⅛. Bill, dated 29 April, 1637, by Edmund Osborne and Margarett, his wife, *v.* Elizabeth Horrex, Rd. Pulley and Edward Emerson. Said Margaret is relict and exx. of late Edmund Mason, of South Fambridge, Co. Essex, yeoman; bill concerns the ownership of Southsambridge Hall Farm, some stock of which was sold to Edward Emerson (called also Emerston), not described. The answer of Edward Emerson, dated 9 May, 1637, gives no particulars of himself.

P. ⅛. The replication, dated 21 May [? year], of Joseph Peters and others, to the answer of Christopher Emerson, i merely a denial without recital of any fact.

P. ⅛. The plea (1647) of Christopher Emerson to Replication of Joseph Peters and others. This is a suit dealing with same matters as Chas. I., D. ⅛. The transactions in question date from 1645 to 1647; but there are no details *re* Christopher Emerson himself.

P. ⅛. Bill, date l 14 Oct., 1633, by William Pulman, of Limehouse, Co. Midd., Ropemaker, *v.* Anne Emerson. John Emerson, late of Ipswich, Co. Suffolk, Mariner, decd., owner of ⅛ of "The Good Intent" ship, of Ipswich, sold his interest to Orator, and went in her as master, carrying coals from Newcastle to London; the ship is lost and Emerson dead. Anne E. is his relict and Adxx., and lives at Ipswich. The answer of Anne Emerson, dated 25 Oct., 1633, says the ship and all on board were lost in a passage to Newcastle; contains no genealogical particulars.

P. ⅛. Bill, dated 11 Feb., 1627—8, by William Plomer, of Radwell, Co. Hertford, *v.* Edward Emerson and Jenkin Morgan. The late Sir Wm. Plomer, of Hill, Co. Bedf., Kt., about Oct., 1617, negotiated with one Edward Emerson, now a prisoner in the King's Bench, for the purchase of sheep belonging to Emerson; the suit concerns this transaction. Edward Emerson has lately become a bankrupt, and conspires with one Jenkin Morgan, of the City of London, who (as Complt. is informed) is Emerson's son-in-law. The answer of Edward Emerson and Jenkin Morgan is dated May, 1628. Emerson acknowledges 2 or 3 ill-assorted persons had a comm. in bankruptcy issued against him for one or two small debts not due, he being surety for and admr. of one Thomas Emerson, decd., his widow having renounced the admon. Jenkin Morgan is his son-in-law.

S. ⅛. Bill, dated 4 June, 1629, by James Smithe, of London, Salter, *v.* Jenkin Morgan, Esq., John Byde and Edward Emerson. *Re* money lent to Thomas Emerson, late of London, Beer-brewer, decd., who died about 6 years since. Edward Emerson, alebrewer, admred. The answers of the 3 defendts. are attached, but contain no information further respecting the Emersons.

S. ⅛. The replication, undated, of Katherine Soulby, widow, to the answer of Thomas Emerson. *See* particulars of this suit below—S. ⅛.

S. ⅛. Bill, dated 17 November, 1641, by Katherine Soulby, of Shotton, Co. Durham, widow, late wife of Anthony Soulby, of Shotton, yeoman, decd., *v.* Thomas Emerson. Complt. and her late husband, together with Christopher Emerson, late of Shotton, yeoman, decd., held lease from 2 Eliz., dated 21 July, 37th year of her reign, for the term of their three lives, of a mess., etc., in Shotton, parcel of the Lordship of Raby; Kath rine conveyed her interest to said Emerson, 10 Aug., 6 Chas. I., as security for payment for bonds entered into on behalf of her son Ralph. About £20 remained unpaid to Emerson at his death, and about 5 years since Thomas Emerson, s. and h. of said Christopher, entered into possession. He has received enough profits to discharge the remaining £20, but refuses to give up premises. Thomas Emerson's answer was taken at Barnard Castle, Co. Durham, 19 Jan., 17 Car. I., and contains no further particulars.

S. ⅛. Bill, dated 11 June, 1631, by John Spencer, of Rellington, Co. Yorke, yoman, *v.* Christopher Emerson and Stephen Lambe. Christopher Emerson, of Barton-in-the-Street, Co. York, Clark, by Indre., dated 10 Aug., 1 Chas. I., sold 2 oxgangs of land in Barton to Complt. Since then sd. Emmerson, Maudlin his wife and Stephen Lambe, senant of the said 2 oxgangs, have combined to dispossess Complt. of the deeds, etc. The plea and demurrer of Christopher Emmerson and Stephen Lambe, taken at New Malton, Co. York, 27 Sept., 7 Car. I., states the Complt. has previously exhibited the same Complt. in Ct. of Chancery, and also brought the matter to trial at the York Assizes. Stephen Lambe is husband of Emerson's sister, and held lease of the land from Roger Emerson, decd., defdt.'s fa'her, dated 20 May, 12 Jas. I.

T. ⅛. Bill, not dated, by Robert Tooker, of Stretham, Co. Surrey, Clerk, *v.* Mathew Emerson and Richard Kidwell. *Re* lease of the tithes of Streatham to Mathew Emerson, of Clapham, gent. Neither the bill nor Emerson's answer

dated 8 Dec., 1649, contains any further particulars than are given in a previous suit on the same subject.

T. $\frac{11}{13}$. Bill, dated 18 April, 1627, by Samuell Turner, Dr. of Physic, *v.* Jane Emerson, Thomas Emerson, Edmond Randall and Nicholas Hawes. Complt.'s mother, decd., Pascha Turner, lent to late Thomas Emerson, of Hadley, Co. Midd., gent., about £1000, for wh. he gave bonds in 15 and 16 Jas. I., and directed Jane his wife, and Thomas his son, to satisfy these claims out of his estate (which consisted *int. al.* of divers lands, etc.), after his death. Said Thomas, the father, died about Feb. 21, Jas. I., and said Jane admred.; refusing to pay Complt. Randall and Hawes were trustees of some of Emerson's property. The answer of Jane Emerson, widow of Thomas Emerson, Esq., decd., is dated 4 May, 1627; she believes her said late husband was indebted to her father in about £1000, wh. her said father gave over to her mother, the said Pascha Turner. Besides the Complt. Samuel, she had other brothers, Peter and Theodore. Her husband died much in debt, and left her with 5 sons and 2 daughters, all under age. He had interest in tents. in the Boro' and St. Olave's, Southwark; in do. near the Crutched Friars, and some land and Hadley, and had bot. reversion of certain tythes in Burnehan and Chippenham, Co. Bucks. He had also bot., and made Nich. Hawes trustee for, certain tithes in Grimsby, Co. Lincoln, to estate on his son John. He also held a lease from the King, whilst Prince of Wales, of the herbage of the West Park of Bransheath (*sic*), etc., Co. Durham; and also had lease of a house in the Blackfriars, London.

W. $\frac{43}{16}$. The Replication, undated, of Dame Mary Wingfeild, widow, and Sir James Wingfeild, Kt., to the answer of Jane Emerson, widow. (Contains no additional facts. *See* suit below.)

W. $\frac{23}{24}$. Bill, dated 7 May, 1627, by Dame Mary Wingfeild, widow of Sir Edward Wingfeild, Kt., late of Kimbalton, Co. Hunts., decd., and Sir James Wingfeild, of Kerston, sd. Co., Kt., *v.* Jane Emerson. Sir James Wingfeild bot. of Viscount Hadington the Manor of Kerston, which had been granted by letters patent of 1 Oct., 14 Jas. I., to Thomas Emerson. The said letters patent shew that Emerson's name was inserted only at Hadington's request, in return for Hadington's services to the King; and Emerson never received any of the profits and the said manor, etc. No fine was levied, and Jane, widow of Thomas Emerson, now claims a third of the said manor as her legal due. The answer of Jane Emerson, dated 29 May, 1627, states that Emerson paid Viscount Hadington for the said Manor of Kerston, and received rents therefrom.

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29 Eliz., 6th Pt. Emerson: Scr. Fcm. Thome Emerson and als. p. Gilbtm. Rockett.

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40 Eliz., Pt. 28. Amerye: Scriptum Fcm. Robto. Amerye p. Tristramu White. 31st Pt.—Emerye: Willo. Emerye t. alii. *r.* Dne. Eliz. Regine, xx.li.

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31 Eliz., 28th Pt. Emery et Charnok.

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38 Eliz., 1st Pt. Emes., Wa., et Warren. 14th Pt.—Emes., Wa., et Harvest qz. Forrest. 28th Pt.—Easton, Jo., et Emerson. See above.

39 Eliz. [13]. Emes., Wills., t. al. et Maweitt Otho. 27 [Pt.]—Easton, Johes., et Emerson, Humfrs. This is not on the roll as stated in the Calr.

40 Eliz., 5 [Pt.] Emes., Wa., et Allison. 5 [Pt.]—Forrest, Jo., et Alyson qz. Emes. [? Pt.]—Emerye, Wa., et Rua.

44 Eliz., 1st Pt. Amery, Jo., et Boothe, Jo.

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36 H. III., m. 24. Mandate issued to the Sheriff of Worcester to make replevin to William Fitz Amar of his lands seized for harbouring of thieves. Given at Windsor, 12 Feb.

1 and 2 P. and M., pt. 8. Grant by Henry Warner, of Great Waltham, Co. Essex, Esq., to William Emerson, of London, yeoman, in consideration of his help and services in Warner's difficulties, and aid in the recovery of said Warner's lands, of an annuity of £22 6s. 8d., out of his Manor of Churchhawe, pah. of Paraclesham, Co. Essex. Dated 16 Dec., 1 and 2 Philip and Mary.

2 and 3 P. and M., pt. 5. William Emerson, of London, enters into his own recognisances in £600, to Thomas Segree, of Owborne,* Co. Bedf., yoman, 16th June, 2 and 3 P. and M., to abide decision of arbitrators appointed to decide all matters at issue between them. * Woburn.

3 and 4 P. and M., pt. 2. Indenture, dated 28 July, 1556, Between Nicholas Packman, Citizen and Skinner of

London . . . . . and William Emerson and John Redman, Citizens and Bowiers of London, granting a mess, etc., in Bermondsey St., psh. of St. Olave, Southwark, for £17. (Mess. called "The Wolsak.")

3 and 4 P. and M., pt. 3. William Emerson, of Peckelsham, Co. Essex, yeoman, enters into his own recognisances to Thomas Broke, of Erles Court, Co. Midd., Esq., as security for one Henry Cruche or Crychc, of Greysley, Co. Derb.

Pt. 21, 4 Eliz. Grant, by Clement Newce, Senr., Citizen and Mercer of London, to Richard Emerson, of Stondon, Co. Hertf., gent., George Haynes of Much Hadham, sd. Co., yeoman, John Sell, of Little Hadham, yeoman, and John Dammes, of Much Hadham, yeoman, of all and singular the manors, mess., etc., situated and being in the parishes, etc., of Much Hadham, Stonden, Thorley and Sabridgeworth, Co. Hertf., with the reservation of messuages called Barwyck and Byggins, in Stonden, etc., as trustees to various uses. Dated 18 June, 1562.

9 Eliz., pt. 22. Indent. dated 20 March, 9 Eliz., between Robert Emerson, of Cosgrave, Co. Northt., yeoman, and John Freeman, of Moulton, sd. Co., merchant of the Staple, by which Emerson grants ½ those mess., lands, etc. in Cosgrave, Potters Perry and Furthoo, Co. Northt., late in occupation of himself, John Cheese, John Raighedd, Thomas Frenche and Alice Coleman, wdw., and bot. by sd. Emerson, of Farnando Pulton, for £50.

16 Eliz., pt. 18. Indent., between Robert Cawson, of Clapham, Co. Surrey, and William Emerson, junr., Cit. and Bowyer of London, by which Cawson grants a house called Bolers, in West Wickham, Co. Kent, etc., in trust, for certain uses. Dated 1st Sept., 1574.

22 Eliz., pt. 13. Indent., dated 12 Aug., 1580, between John Phenix, of London, merchant ranger, of the 1st part, and Anne Emerson, of Southwarke, Co. Surrey, Wdw., and Thomas Emerson, her son, of the 2nd pt., by which said Phenix, for a sum of money to be paid, grants to said Anne and Thomas a mess. in Depford, Co. Kent, with lands in Croydon lane, etc., etc., bot. by said Phenix of William Kelinge, late Cit. and Clothworker of Lon., decd., 1st Aug., 1577.

22 Eliz., p. 17. Grant, by Henry Knighte, of Brockhooles, Co. Surrey, gent., s. and h. of late Henry Knighte, of do., decd. (for £15 6s. 8d.), to Humphrey Emerson, of Southwark, Co. Surrey, gent., and Johanna his wife, of all his rights in a mess. in Camberwell, late in the occn. of Wm. Foster, Cit. and haberdasher of Lon., decd.

28 Eliz., pt. 7. Indenture, dated 19 June, 1586, between Robert Burton, of Barkhampstead, Co. Hertf., yeoman, and Thomas Emerson, of Furnifalles Inne, suburbs of London, gent., by which Burton grants tent. in North Street, Dunstable, Co. Bedf., with lands adjoining, and other premises, for £80.

28 Eliz., pt. 9. Grant, by Richard Halsey, Cit. and Armourer [? of London], to Thomas Emerson, of St. Saviour's, Southwark, gent., of a barn, garden, and other premises in Dunstable, Co. Bedf., for a sum of money to be paid. Dated 21 Oct., 1586.

29 Eliz., pt. 6. Grant, by Gilbert Rockett, of St. Saviour's, Southwark, yeoman, to Thomas Emerson, gent., and Robert Myles, Spurrier, of a mess., etc., at Le Bankside, next to the "Three Tonnes," in trust, to various uses. Dated 2 May, 29 Eliz.

38 Eliz., pt. 28. John Easton, of Southwark, Co. Surrey, gent., s. and h. app. of William Easton, late of S. Lambeth, gent., decd., enters into his own recognisances in £40, to carry out terms of an agreement between himself and Humphrey Emerson, of Southwark, gent., of same date. Dated 27th Oct., 1596.

37 Eliz., p. 22. Indent. between Thomas Emmerson, of St. Saviour's, Southwark, gent., and William Ordwey, of Dunstable, Co. Bedf., gent.; all tents., etc., bot. by Emmerson in Dunstable, from William and Henry Bennell, Thomas Wallys, Robert Burton and Richard Halsey, sold by Emmerson, and Margaret, his wife, to Ordwey, for £130. Dated 20 April, 37 Eliz.

39 Eliz., pt. 16. John Easton, of Southwark, enters into his own recognisances in £40, to keep terms of deed of sale contracted with Humphrey Emerson, of do., of date 23 Nov., 1596. Bond, dated 28 Nov., 1596.

39 Eliz., pt. 20. Indent., dated 30 April, 1597, between Thomas Holmewood, of Meastham als. Merstham, Co. Surrey, yeoman, and Humphrey Emerson, of Southwark, gent., by which Holmewood grants the reversion of certain lands in Merstham, after decease of John Tayler their present occupant, for sum of money not specified.

Easton and Emerson. 2 Jas. I., p. 9. 27 Aug. Ind. bet. Wm. Easton, of Lambeth, in Co. Surrey, gent., and Henry Emerson, of the same, gent. The sd. Wm., for £83 10s., has sold to sd. Henry and his heirs for ever, his moiety of the mess. called Cookes Farm, in the par. of West Wickham, in Co. Kent, and the moiety of the arable pasture and woodgrounds cont. 70 in the sd. par.

Emerson and Armstronge. 2 Jas. I., p. 9. 12 March. Ind. bet. Thos. Emerson, of London, esq., and Gabriel Armstronge, of Thorpe in the Clottes, in Co. Nottingham, esq. Whereas King Jas. I., by Letters Patent dated 2nd of this instante Marche, has granted to Sir John Ramsey and the sd. Thos. Emerson (inter alia) the portion of tithes yearly growing in Cossall, in Co. Nottingham, late in the tenure of Christ. Plattes, to hold to them and their heirs for ever: And whereas the said Sir John, by deed dated 11th of this sd. month of March, has released to sd. Thos. E. all his estate and right in the sd. tithes. Now the sd. Thos., for £16 13s. 4d., has sold to the sd. Gabriel Armstronge and his heirs for ever, the sd. premises.

Emerson and Hopkins. 2 Jas. I., p. 13. 23 June, 1604. Ind. bet. Henry Emerson, of Stokwell, in the par. of Lambehithe, in Co. Surrey, gent., and John Hopkyns, citizen and salter, of London. Whereas Lawrence Robjont, late citizen and girdler, of London, by his will bequeathed his mess. called the Cock and the Key, in the par. of St. Dunstan's in the West, in Fleet Street, London, to Joan, his wife, for her life, with divers remainders over: And whereas the immediate remainder or reversion of the moiety thereof expectant upon the death of the sd. Joan, now called Joan Sandbache, widow, may be in the sd. Henry and his heirs, derived to him by divers mensne discents. from the next of kin of sd. Lawrence: Now the sd. Hen. E., for a certain sum of money, has granted to sd. John Hopkins his sd. remainder and reversion to hold to him and his heirs for ever.

2 Jas. I., p. 22. 27 Aug. Ind. bet. Emma Emerson, of the par. of St. Saviour's, Southwark, in Co. Surrey, widow, late wife of Humphrey E., gent., deced., and Ric. Mellersh, gent., of the one part, and Hugh Browker, esq., and Peter Turner, of the par. of Little St. Ellens, within Bishopsgate, London, M.D., of the other part. The sd. Emma, for £300, has sold to the sd. Hugh and Peter all those mess., lands and tents. wherein the sd. Humphrey had any estate, and which, by his will, dated 14 Nov. last past, he bequeathed to sd. Emma for life, except one cap. mess. wherein she now lives, in the par. of St. Saviour's, Southwark, near a tent. called the Spurre, to hold during the natural life of sd. Emma.

Goddard and Emerson. 44 Eliz., p. 24. Indenture made 10 May, 44 (1602) Eliz., between John Goddard, of Enfield, in Co. Midd., brewer, Thos. Hutton, of London, gent., and others, of the one part, and Hugh Browker, of par. of St. Saviour's, in Sowthwork, in Co. Surrey, Esq., and Thos. Emerson, of the Inner Temple, of London, gent., of the other part. The sd. John Goddard and others have granted to the sd. Hugh and Thomas a messuage, garden, barn, stable, one parcel of meadow or pasture cont. 3 a. to sd. mess. belonging, etc., etc., situate at Bulles Crosse, in par. of Enfield, in Co. Midd., to hold to them and their heirs for ever.

Easton and Emerson. 2 James I., p. 9. 27 Aug. Indenture made between William Easton, of Lambeth, in Co. Surrey, gent., of the 1 part, and Hen. Emerson, of Lambeth, gent., of the other part. For £83 10s. the sd. Wm. Easton grants to sd. Hen. his moiety of the mess. called Cooke's Farm, lying in par. of West Wickham, in Co. Kent, in the tenure of —— Phillipp, widow, and also moiety of all the arable, pasture and woodground cont. 7 a. to the said mess. belonging, in the sd. par., with all his right and title to same: to remain to sd. Hen. E. and his heirs for ever.

Emerson and Burley. 2 Jas. I., p. 26. 12 March. Ind. between Thomas Emerson, of London, Esq., of the one part, and Nicholas Burley, of Pitforde, in Co. Surrey, gent., of the other part. Recites grant from the King by Letters Patent, dated 2 March in the said year, to Sir John Ramsey, Knt., and the said Thos. Emerson and their heirs for ever, of (*inter alia*) 4 purprestures and other the brooks called Durneford Brookes, lying at Durneford Bridge in the par. of Chertsey, in Co. Surrey, between the way leading from Chertsey to Oking on the west, the pasture called Brooke on the east, the meadow of William Smythe called Long mead on the south, and the common way called Durneford Hill on the north, late parcel of the lands purchased of Giles Leighe, and before that, parcel of the lands of Edward Castell, of Horsell, in Co. Surrey. On the 11th day of March in the said year the said Sir John Ramsey remised to the said Thos. E. and his heirs for ever all his estate in the said premises. Now the sd. Thos. for £55 has sold the same to the sd. Nicholas Burley and his heirs for ever.

Emerson and Morgan. 2 James I., p. 26. 21 Mar. Ind. between Thos. Emerson, of London, Esq., of the 1 part, and Rob. Morgan, of London, gent., and Edward Morley, of the Inner Temple, London, gent., of the other part. The said

Thomas for £107 4s. 0d. sold to the said Rob. and Edward a cottage in Dugmanton, in Co. Derby, 10 a. of pasture in Borne, in Co. Lincoln, 1 cottage in Ellington, in Co. Northumberland, and 1 mill there, and all the rents, farms and other lands there amounting to 5s. yearly, 1 close of pasture called St. John's land in Burton, in Co. Northbland., lands in Morpeth in said Co., a tenement called Marlecote Wall, in Slaley, within the barony of Bywell, in sd. Co., and 1 orchard and 12 a. of land there, 1 tenement in the Beermarket in Newcastle-on-Tyne : to hold to them and their heirs for ever in as ample manner as the King by Letters Patent, dated 2 Mar. in the said year, granted the said premises (*inter alia*) to Sir John Ramsey and Thos. E. The said Sir John released his estate in same to sd. Thos. E. on the 11th March.

Humble and Emerson. 2 Jas. I., p. 26. 20 July. Ind. between Ric. Humble, of London, vintner, Wm. Gaughton, of London, Dyer, Geo. Payne, of London, grocer, and others of the 1 part, and Emma Emerson, of par. of St. Saviour's, Southwark, in Co. Surrey, widow, late wife of Humphrey E., of St. Saviour's, gent., deced., of the other part. The sd. Ric. Humble, Wm. Gaughton and others have sold to sd. Emma their messuages, lands, etc., etc., in sd. par. of St. Saviour's, and all their lands lying in the common field called St. George's field in par. of St. George, in Co. Surrey ; all which premises the said Emma by deed, dated 1 Feb. last past, sold to the sd. Humble and others, and which were left to her by the sd. Humphrey to hold the same for her life.

Ramsey Miles et Emerson. 2 Jas. I., p. 27. 11 March. Ind. between Sir John Ramsey, Knt., and Thos. Emerson, of London, Esq. Whereas King James by Letters Patent, dated 2nd March in sd. year, granted to sd. Sir John and Thos. E. a tenement in Lucker, in Co. Northumberland, a tent. in Yardley, in sd. Co., 3 a. of meadow in Bilson, in Co. Suff., 4 purprestures and other brooks called Durneford Brooks, at Durnford Bridge, in Chertsey, in Co. Surrey, 2 tents. in Blyndehole-street in Launceston, in Co. Cornwall, a tent. near the Spire of the Church of St. Mary Magdalen, in Launceston, 1 tent. in the high street of Launceston, a portion of tithes in Tynnyhorne and Crogwernell, in sd. Co., lands, etc., in Normainby, in Co. York, 1 cottage in Dugmanton, in Co. Derby, etc., etc. [a very long list of places]. Now the sd. Sir John for £2333 6s. 8d. sells to the sd. Thos. E. and his heirs for ever all the sd. premises.

Ramsey, Knt., and Emerson. 4 Jas. I., p. 17. 17 May. Ind. bet. John Ramsey, Knt., and Thos. Emerson, of London, Esq. For the sum of £500 the sd. Sir John has sold to sd. Thos. the rectories of Snape and Fristone in Co. Suff., the site of the mansion late of the New Chantry of Dennington als. Donnington, in sd. Co., 1 piece of land there called Lions, the lately dissolved Chantry of the B. Mary of Great Marlowe, in Co. Bucks, 1 tent., garden and land in Warminster, in Co. Wilts., 1 fee-farm of £22 2s. 0d., issuing out of the manor of Sundrishe, in Co. Kent, the Fraternity of Eaton, in Co. Beds., etc., etc. [very long grant] ; to hold to the sd. Thos. E. and his heirs as fully as King Jas. by Letters Patent, dated 10th day of sd. month of May, granted the same to the sd. Sir John.

Ramsey, Knt., and Emerson. 5 Jas. I., p. 2. 5 Mar., 4 Jas. I. Ind. betw. Sir John Ramsey, Knt., Lord Barnes and Viscount Haddington of the one part, and Thos. E., of par. of Great St. Helens, London, Esq., of the other part. Whereas King Jas., by Letters Patent, dated 16 May last, granted (*inter alia*) to sd. Viscount H. by the name of Sir John Ramsey and his heirs for ever the tithes of corn and grain yearly growing in the par. of Hooton Cranswicke, in Co. York, and the mill in Senage als. Seneageton, in. Co. Southt. Now the sd. Sir John has sold to the sd. Thos. the said premises, to hold to him and his heirs for ever.

Bennett and others and Emerson. 5 Jas. I., p. 3. 6 July. Ind. bet. Wm. Bennett and Ric. Cowdall, of London, gents., of the one part, and Thos. E., of London, Esq., of the other part. The sd. Wm. and Ric. for a certain sum of money have sold to sd. Thos. 3 a. of arable land in Co. Bed. called Aston's land, the tent. lying in the corn market in Leyton Bussard in Co. Beds., 7 a. of arable land in the fields there, another tent. and parcel of meadow there, several other tents. there, of the clear yearly value of £4 13s. 4d., the Chapel or hermytadge of Morke called Margette's Chapel, in par. of Brevell, in Co. Glouc., one little garden and a grove of land and wood called St. Margette Grove, in Brevell, of the yearly value of 21s. 4d., to hold to the sd. Thos. E. and his heirs for ever.

Bennett and Emerson. 5 Jas. I., p. 5. 6 July. Ind. bet. Wm. Bennett of London, gent., and Thos. Emerson, of London, Esq. The sd. Wm. has remised to sd. Thos. his messuage in par. of St. Martin Outwitche, in City of London, divided into two tents., of the yearly value of 53s. 4d., parcel of possessions of lately dissolved Monastery of St. Helens, in Bishopsgate ; also 8 tents. in par. of St. Augustine, London, of yearly value of £5 13s. 4d. ; 1 mess. called Broadyates, in Eastharneham, in Co. Wilts., of yearly value of 40s. ; 1 cottage there, value 8s. ; all the premises in Yevell, in Co. Somerset, formerly sold by sd. Thos. E. and Wm. Bennett to any other person : to hold to the sd. Thos. E. and his heirs for ever.

Bennett et Cowdall. 5 Jas. I., p. 19. 7 May. Ind. bet. Will. Bennett, of London, gent., and Ric. Cowdall, of London, gent., of the one part, Thos. Emerson, of London, Esq., of the second part, and Thos. Buxton, of Colchester, the elder, apothecary, in Co. Essex, of the third part. No further mention of Thos. E. The sd. Wm. and Ric. sell to sd. Thos. Buxton premises in Clayton, in Co. Essex.

Emerson and al. et Marshe. 4 Jas. I. 4 Jan. Ind. bet. Thos. E., of London, Esq., and Wm. Bennett, of London, gent., of one part, and Wm. Marshe, of Co Lincoln, Glover, of the other part. The sd. Thos. E. and Wm. B. have sold to Wm. M. a tent. and garden in Rowghton, in Co. Lincoln, of yearly value of 8s.

Cowdall and al. et Emerson. 5 Jas. I., p. 21. 4 June. Ind. bet. Ric. Cowdall and Henr Skynner, of London, gents., of the one part, and Thomas Emerson, of London, Esq., of the other part. The sd. Ric. and Hen. have sold to sd. Thos. one tent. in par. of St. Olave, next the Tower of London, with garden thereto belonging, two other gardens in sd. par., four tents. in sd. par., six other tents. in sd. par. [particulars of all given], of yearly value of £6 : 1 burgage in Yevell, in Co. Somerset, others burgages there, 1 tent. in Salisbury, other tents. there.

Sentleger et Emerson. 6 Jas. I., p. 23, n. 39. 18 Nov., 5 Jas. I. John Sentleger, of "Heigh Holborne," in Co. Midd., Esq., has sold to Thos. Emerson, of London, Esq., 6 messuages and 1 stable in the par. of Holy Trinity, in Knightriderstreet, in the City of London, about upon Knightrider St. on the north, the mess. called Ringedhall on the east, the mess. in the tenure of Oliver Stile and Will. Gore on the south, and the highway called Bowlane, leading towards Garlickhill on the west ; also a waste piece called a yard to the sd. premises belonging, to hold to the sd. Thos. and his heirs for ever. Enrolled 14 May, 6 Jas. I.

Emerson and Speght. 6 Jas. I., p. 45, n. 96. 26 July. Henry Emerson, of Warneham, in Co. Sussex, gent., son and heir of Thos. E., late of Southwarke, in Co. Surrey, gent., deced., acknowledges that he owes £150 to the said James Speght, S.T.B. Whereas, by ind. of sale, dated 20 July in the sd. year, the sd. Hen. E. sold to the sd. James, and Bridget, his wife, a mess., garden, orchard and barn, in Deptford alias West Greenwich, in Co Kent, near a lane called Butland, leading to the Stroude, and 2 closes there, etc., etc.

Emerson and Mayne. 7 Jas. I., p. 7. Ind. made 10 Dec., 6 Jas. I., bet. Thos. Emerson, of London, Esq., and Nicholas Mayne, of Plympton Erell, in Co. Devon, gent. The sd. Thos. has sold to the sd. Nicholas 1 garden in the borough of Plympton Earls, in Co. Devon, in the Forestreet there, lying between Mewes Hill and the water called Longebrooke, on the east and south, the mess. of Wm. Fountayne on the north, the mess. of Ric. Strowde on the west ; also one close of land called Reke, of the yearly value of 5s. 4d., in as ample manner as King James I., by Letters Patent, dated 18 October, 5 Jas. I., granted the sd. premises to the sd. Thos. E. and his heirs for ever, to hold to the sd. Nicholas and his heirs for ever.

Newport and al. and Emerson. 7 Jas. I., p. 7. Ind. made 28 Nov., 6 Jas. I., bet. Edw. Newporte, of Lynstead, in Co. Suff., esq., and John Crompton, of London, gent., of the one part, and Thomas Emerson, of London, esq., of the other part. The sd. Edw. and John have sold to the sd. Thos. their lands and tents. in Newbery, in Co. Berks, of the yearly value of 24s. 4d., to hold to him and his heirs for ever.

Ferrers and Emerson. 7 Jas. I., p. 19. Ind. made 22 Aug. bet. Edw. Ferrers, of London, mercer, and Francis Phelips, of London, gent., of the one part, and Thos. Emerson, of London, esq., of the other part. The sd. Edw. and Francis have sold to the sd. Thos. 2 mills in Wallingford, in Co. Berks, one whereof is called a wheat mill and the other a malt mill, to hold to him and his heirs for ever.

Bowes et Emerson and al. 8 Jas. I., p. 21. 6 Ap., bet. Raphe Bowes, of Co. Durham, esq., of the one part, and Thos. Emerson, of London, esq., and Ric. Cowdall, of London, gent., of the other part. The sd. Raphe has sold to the sd. Thos. and Ric. the manors of Barnes Hamilden and Clowcrofte, in Co. Durham, to hold to them and their heirs for ever.

Emerson and al. et More. 8 Jas. I., 27 Mar., bet. Thos. E., esq., and Ric. Cowdall, gent., of one part, and Rob. More, of Gryndon, in Co. Durham, gent., of other part.

Whereas, King Jas. I., by Letters Patent, dated 27 Nov. last, granted (*inter alia*) to the sd. Thos. E. and Ric. Cowdall the manor of Gryndon, in Co. Durham, sometime parcel of the lands of Robert Bowes, esq., exchanged, to hold of the King in chief by the service of the 20th part of a knight's fee, paying therefore yearly the fee farm rent of £33 7s. 0d. Now for the sum of £700 the sd. Thos. and Ric. grant to the sd. Rob. More the sd Manor, to him and his heirs for ever.

Cowdale et Emerson. 8 Jas. I., p. 27. 20 Dec., 7 Jas. I. Ind. bet. Richard Cowdall, of London, gent., and Thos. Emerson, of London, esq. Whereas King James I., by Letters Patent, dated 27 Nov. last past, granted to sd. Ric. and Thos. and their heirs for ever, the capital mess. or grange of Great Broughton and Greenehaughe, in Cleveland, in Co. York, of the yearly value of £20, parcel of lands of Rob. Bowes, esq., exchanged. Now the sd. Ric. for 10s. to him in hand, paid by sd. Thos. E., has sold to him the sd. mess., to hold to him and his heirs for ever.

Emerson et Sympson. 9 Jas. I., p. 44, No. 6. 30 Oct. Will. Emerson, of Stotfield bourne, in Co. Durham, yeoman, acknowledges that he owes to Ric. Sympson, of London, gent., £12.

Pywall et Magister Rotulorum. 9 Jas. I., p. 45, n. 141. 10 May. John Pywall, of par. of St. Peter, in Cornhill, London, salter, and Oswald Emerson, of Coventry, in the county of the City of Coventry, chandler, acknowledged a debt of £100 to Edw. Philipp, Knt., Master of the Rolls.

Parkinson et Emerson. 10 Jas. I., p. 39, n. 44. 31 July, 1612. Ind. bet. Thos. Parkinson, of Burniston, in Co. York, esq., and Christr. Parkinson, his son and heir, of the one part, and Alexander Emerson, of Glamford Brigges, in Co. Lincoln, butcher, and Alexr. E., his son and heir apparent. The said Parkinsons have sold to the said E.'s the moiety of the manor or lordship of Conisholme, in Co. Lincoln, sometime parcel of the inheritance of Henry Langholme, esq. To hold to the sd. Alexr. E., senior, for his life; after his decease, to the use of Alexr. E., his son, and his heirs male; for default, to the use of the heirs male of sd. Alexr., Senior; for def. to the use of Rob. E., one of the younger sons of Alexr. E., late of Sereby, in Co. Lincoln, deced., uncle of the sd. Alex. E., the father, and his heirs male; for def., to the use of the heirs male of the body of sd. Alexr. of Sereby; for def., to the use of the right heirs of the sd. Alexr., the son, for ever.

Collymore et al. et Magister Rotulorum. 10 Jas. I., p. 42, n. 133. 19 May. John Collymore, of the par. of St. Apple., London, Knt., Thos. Emerson, of Blackfriars, London, esq., and Ric. Cowdale, of Lyons Inn, in Co. Midd., gent., acknowledged a debt of £2000 to Edw. Phelipps, Knt., Master of the Rolls.

Stanhope et Emerson. 11 Jas. I., p. 81, n. 20. 15 Oct. Ind. bet. John Stanhope, of Stodfold, in Co. York, esq., and Alexr. Emerson, of Glamford Brigge, in Co. Lincoln, gent., and Alexr. E., his son and heir app. The sd. John sells to the sd. Alexanders the moiety of the Rectory of Gouxhill, in Co. Linc., of the yearly value of £28, the advowson and right of patronage of the vicarage of par. Church there excepted: to hold to them and their heirs for ever.

21 Jas. I., p. 9, n. 4. 12 Jan., 12 James I. Ind. bet. Sir John Ramsey, Knt., Viscount Haddington and Thos. E., of Hadley, in Co. Midd., esq. The sd. Sir John has sold to the sd. Thos. the manors of Bradbury and Hilton, in the Bishopric of Durham, late parcel of the lands of the late Earl of Huntingdon, and Sir Wm. Bowes, Knt.: to hold to him and his heirs for ever, paying therefore yearly to the sd. Sir John £460 upon the "fount stone in the Temple Church neare ffleete-streete, London."

13 Jas. I., p. 9, n. 38. 10 July. Ind. bet. Francis Morice, of London, Esq., and Michael Cole, of Westminster, gent., of one part, and Thos. E., of London, Esq., of other part. The said Francis and Michael have sold to sd. Thos. and his heirs for ever the site and precinct of the College of Staindrop, in Co. Durham, with all houses, buildings, etc., except a convenient part of the Church and cemetery to be reserved to the par. there, of the clear yearly value of 26s. 8d.: to be held of the King as of his manor of East Greenwich, in Co. Kent, by fealty only in free and common socage, and not in chief or by knights' service.

13 Jas. I., p. 27, n. 41. 28 Dec., 1614. Ind. bet. Jas. Ireland, of London, gent., and Edward Emerson, citizen and brewer of London, executors of will of Roger Bellowe, citizen and brewer of London, decd., of one part, and Arthur Dallevall, citizen and haberdasher of London, and Thos. Emerson, citizen and brewer, of London, other part. The sd. Roger B. was seised of a capital mess. and brewhouse called the Guilte Harte alias the Redd Harte, lying in the par. of St. Giles Without Cripplegate, London, and of divers brewing vessels, etc., and by his will, dated 29 Ap. last, demised the same to sd. Jas. Ireland and Edw. E., they to sell the same, and divide the money amongst his kinsfolk. Now for the sum of £560 the said Jas. and Edward have sold the same to said Arthur Dallevall and Thos. E. and their heirs for ever.

14 Jas. I., p. 11, No. 16. 20 Feb. Ind. bet. Sir John Cullymer, of London, Knt., and Nicholas Hawys, of London, gent., of one part, and Thos. E., of London, Esq. The sd. John and Nic. for £700 have sold to sd. Thos. E. and his heirs for ever the capital mess. or grange called Great Broughton and Greenehaugh, in Cleveland, in Great Broughton, in Co. York.

14 Jas. I., p. 16, No. 4. 10 Mar. Ind. bet. Rob., Earl of Sussex and Sir John Ramsey, Knt., of one part, and Edw. Alforde, of Offington, in Co. Sussex, esq., and Thos. E., of London, esq., of the other part. The sd. Earl and Sir John have sold to sd. Edw. and Thos. the manor of Ramsey in Co. Essex, and all the messuages, lands, etc., called Michelstowe, Bridgehall, Laneham als. Lavenhams, Fulton and Foulton, in Co. Essex, to sd. manor belonging: to hold to them and their heirs for ever.

14 James I., p. 38. 20 March, 1616. Ind. bet. Sir Thos. Vavasor, Knt., Peter Vanlore, senior, of London, esq., and Will. Ferrers, citizen and mercer, of London, of the one part, and Edw. Alforde, of Offington, in Co. Sussex, esq., and Thos. Emerson, of London, esq., of the other part. The sd. Sir Thos., Peter and Will. have sold to the sd. Edw. and Thos. and their heirs for ever the manor or lordship of Zouches, situate in Metheringham, Dunston and Blancknye, in Co. Linc.; also the mess. in Metheringham called Clarke's Farme, 1 mess. there called Akams Farm, 1 mess. there called the Crosse House, and a cottage called Breames House, which sd. premises are of the clear yearly value of £350 at the least.

15 Jas. I., p. 22, No. 42. 24 Mar. Ind. bet. Sir John Ramsey, Knt., Viscount Haddington and Eliz. his wife, of the 1st part, and Edw. Alforde, of Offington, in Co. Sussex, esq., and Thos. Emerson, of London, esq. The sd. Sir John and Eliz. have sold to sd. Edw. and Thos. and their heirs for ever the monastery, capital messuage, mansion and manor house of Alnewicke, in Co. Northumberland; also the tithes or tenths of the mill of Alnewicke, of the yearly value of £11 6s. 8d.; also the tithes great and small arising in the towns, fields, parishes and precincts of Shilbottle, Lesburie, Hawkehill, Bilton Longe, Haughton, Alnewicke, Westparke, Cowledge Parke, Hull Parke and Dennicke als. Denwicke in the sd. County: to hold the last-mentioned tithes during the life of the sd. Earl and Countess.

15 Jas. I., p. 83, n. 15. 20 Dec. Ind. bet. Thos. Cullwick, of London, gent., and Mary his wife, of the 1 part, and Samuel Turner, of London, M.D., and Thos. Emerson, of Hadley, in Co. Midd., Esq. Whereas the said Thos. and Mary by ind., dated 16 Oct. last, granted to the sd. Samuel and Thos. E. the cap. mess., tent. or chief mansion house called Penged Hall, and 3 little houses thereto adjoining in the par. of St. Thomas the Apostle, in the ward of St. Martin-in-the-Vintry, London; also the tents. and stables in the par. of the Holy Trinity, in Knightrider St., in the City of London: to hold to them and their heirs for ever; upon which sd. premises the sd. Thos. Culwick and Mary levied a fine in Michaelmas term last, whereby they acknowledged the sd. premises to be the right of the sd. Samuel and Thos. E. Now all the sd. parties agree that the said fine shall be to the use of the sd. Sam. and Thos. for ever.

16 Jas. I., p. 10, n. 60. 23 March, 15 Jas. I. Ind. bet. Thos. Emerson, of Hadley, in Co. Midd., Esq., and Edmund Randolph, of Lincoln's Inn, in Co. Midd., Esq., and William Emerson, gent., 3rd son of sd. Thos. Whereas the sd. Thos. E. stands seised in his demesne as of fee of divers mess., houses, buildings, lands, etc., in Great Marlow, in Co. Bucks, which he purchased to him and his heirs for ever of Sir John Ramsey, Knt. Now the sd. Thos. agrees that he and his heirs will be seised of the sd. premises to the use of himself for life; after his decease, to the use of the sd. Will. E. and his heirs male; for default, to the use of the heirs male of sd. Thos., and lastly, for def., to the use of the right heirs of sd. Will. for ever.

16 Jas. I., p. 10, n. 61. 10 Feb., 15 Jas. I. Ind. bet. Sam. Turner, of London, M.D., son and heir of Peter Turner, late of London, M.D., deced., and Thos. Emerson, of London, esq., and Thos. E., junior, son and heir app. of sd. Thos. The said Samuel for 5s. has sold to the sd. Thos. and Thos. the tithes and tenths in Burneham and Cipenham, in Co. Bucks, of the yearly value of £15 0s. 11d., to hold to them and their heirs for ever.

16 Jas. I., p. 17, n. 49. 20 March, 15 Jas. I. Ind. bet. Rob. Kympton, of Hadley, *alias* Monken Hadley, in Co. Midd., Esq., and Thos. E., of London, Esq. The sd. Rob

for £40 has sold to sd. Thos. and his heirs for ever a mess. with a garden in Hadley.

16 Jas. I., p. 18, n. 5. 30 June. Ind. bet. Rob. Kympton, of Monken Hadley, in Co. Midd., Esq., and Thos. E., of the same place, Esq. For £45 the sd. Rob. grants to the sd. Thos. and his heirs for ever an annuity or yearly rent charge of £3 issuing out of the lands, etc., of sd. Rob. in Hadley called Lawes lande, cont. about 10 a.

16 Jas. I., p. 18, n. 43. 20 Mar., 1617. Ind. bet. Dame Dorothy Cope, widow, late wife of Sir Walter Cope, late of Kensington, in Co. Midd., decd., and Jas. Bover, citizen and fishmonger of London, of the 1 part, and Edw. Alford, of Offington, in Co. Sussex, esq., and Thos. Emerson, of Hadleigh, in Co. Midd., esq. The sd. Dame Dorothy and Jas. have sold to the sd. Edw. and Thos. and their heirs for ever the rectory and church of Kingston-on-Thames, in Co. Surr y, and all the tithes of corn, grain and wool in Kingston, Surbiton, Norbiton, Hampehatch, Petersham, Kaye and Sheen, in Co. Surrey.

16 Jas. I., p. 34, n. 101. 21 July, 1618. Hen. Emerson, of South Lambeth, in Co. Surrey, gent., acknowledges a debt of £500 to Wm. Richardson, of the par. of St. Saviour's, Southwark, in Co. Surrey, gent.

18 Jas. I., p. 3, n. 8. 11 Nov., 1620. Whereas, Jas. Ireland, of London, gent., and Edw. Emerson, citizen and brewer, of London, exors. of will of Rog. Bellowe, by ind. of sale, dated 28 Dec., 1614, bet. themselves of the one part, and Arthur Dallevall, citizen and haberdasher, of London, and Thos. E., citizen and brewer, of London, for £560, sold to the sd. Arthur and Thos. the capital mess. and brewhouse called the 'Guilt Harte, alias the Reddharte,' in the par. of St. Giles Without Cripplegate, London: Know all men that I, John Budd, of par. of St. Sepulchre without Newgate, London, yeoman, s. and h. of John Budd, late of Walworth, in Co. Surrey, husbandman, and Anne, his wife, one of the sisters of the sd. Roger, have released to the sd. Arthur and Thomas and their heirs for ever, all my estate and right in the sd. premises.

18 Jas. I., p. 3, n. 31. 1 July. Ind. bet. Rob. Kympton, of Wolledge, in Co. Kent, esq., and Thos. Emerson, senior, of Monken Hadley, in Co. Midd., esq., and Thos. E., junior, s. and h. app. of the sd. Thos. The sd. Rob. for £385 has sold to the sd. Thos. and Thos. and their heirs for ever the mess. called the Vicarage, lying near the churchyard of Monken Hadley, now in the occupation of sd. Thos., senior; also 3 fields or parcels of land and 1 pightell of ground, cont. altogether about 15 a., in Hadley, called Smithes land, alias Tylers.

18 Jas. I., p. 9, n. 14. 11 Nov., 1620. I, John Bud, of par. of St. Sepulchre's without Newgate, London, yeoman, s. of John Bud, of Walworth, in Co. Surrey, acknowledge the receipt of £93 6s. 8d. from Jas. Ireland and Edw. Emerson, brewer, of London, exors. of will of Roger Bellowe.

19 Jas. I., p. 20, no. 13. 11 Nov., 1620. Another copy of the above acknowledgment.

n. 14. Similar acknowledgment by Joan Budd, spinster.

19 Jas. I., p. 5, n. 12. 17 May. Ind. bet. Ric. Cowdall, of London, gent., and Thos. Emerson. of Monken Hadley, in Co. Midd., esq. Whereas, King James I., by Letters Patent, dated 27 Nov., in the 7th year of his reign, granted to the sd. Ric. and Thos., and their heirs for ever, the capital mess. or grange of Great Broughton and Greenhaugh, in Cleveland, in Co. York, of the yearly value of £30. Now, for 10s. the sd. Ric. has sold to the sd. Thos. and his heirs for ever the sd. premises.

19 Jas. I., p. 19, n. 14. 1 Sept. Ind. bet. Rob. Kympton, of Wolledge, in Co. Kent., esq., and Thos. Emerson, of Monken Hadley, in Co. Midd., esq., and Nicholas Hawes, of London, gent. The sd. Ric. has sold to the sd. Thos. and Nicholas, and their heirs for ever, the manor and lordship of Monken Hadley; also 1 free Chapel called Monken Hadley, and all lands thereto belonging together with the advowson of the Church of Hadley; 1 cap. mess. now enclosed within a pale cont. about 5 a.; 2 closes of meadow and pasture called Upper Brickfeild and Nether Brickfield, etc., etc., etc.

19 Jas. I., p. 29, n. 7. 17 Nov. Ind. bet. Sam. Turner, of the City of London, M.D., and Pascha Turner, of London, widow, mother of the sd. Samuel, of the one part, and Thos. Emerson. of Monken Hadley, in Co. Midd., esq., and Nic. Hawes, of London, gent. The sd. Sam. and Pascha have granted to sd. Nic. and Thos., and their heirs for ever, all their part of the Rectory and Church of Grymolbie, in Co. Linc., and of the tithes of grass, grain and hay thereto belonging; also 1 rod of land, meadow and pasture there called Ornesbye Garth.

22 Jas. I, p. 41, n. 115. 8 June. Walter Baker, of Whishton, in Co. Northts., Clerk, John Davies of the par. of St. James, in Thames St., London, and Christopher Emerson, of Casgrave, in Co. Northts., yeoman, acknowledge that they owe to Jas. Wolmerdge, Knt., one of the Masters of the Court of Chancery, £40.

3 Chas. I., p. 24, n. 23. 20 Ap. Ind. bet. Anthony Skynner, of London, haberdasher, and Thos. Emerson, of Lincoln's Inn, in Co. Midd., gent. For £2000 the sd. Anthony has sold to the sd. Thos., and his heirs for ever, 18 mess. situate in Crutched Friars, in the par. of St. Olaves, near Tower Hill, all of them adjoining, on the right hand of the way leading northward; also 1 mess. at or near St. Margaret's Hill, in the borough of Southwark, in the par. of St. Saviour's, als. St. Mary Overy, in Co. Surrey; also a cap. mess. called "The Salutation," in par. of St. Saviour's, in Southwark, etc., etc.; also 1 piece of ground on St. Margaret's Hill, in sd. par. of St. Saviour, and cont. in length from the pavement being of freestone before the pump there 63 feet, demised by Humphrey Emerson, gent., to Matthew Kinge and Thos. Cowell; 1 chamber within the court-hall adjoining St. Margaret's Hill, in sd. par., late parcel of the inheritance of Thos. Emerson, senior, deced.

3 Chas. I., p. 37, n. 6. 1 May. Ind. bet. Thos. Emerson, s. and h. of Thos. E., late of Hadley, in Co. Midd., esq., deced., John E., 2nd s. of sd. Thos., deced., and Nic. Hawes, of London, gent., of the one part, and Jane Emerson, widow, late the wife of the sd. Thos. E., deed., and mother of the sd. Thos. and John E. The sd. Thos. E. and Nic., for 5s. to them paid by sd. Jane, and the sd. John for £200 to him paid by sd. Jane, have sold to her and her heirs for ever, their part and purpart of the Rectory and Church of Grimolbye, in Co. Linc., and the half, or purpart, of all the tithes of grass, grain and hay thereto belonging; also the rod of land, meadow and pasture called Ornesbye Garth, in Grymolbye.

3 Chas. I., p. 42, n. 173. 15 May. Thos. Emerson, of Lincoln's Inn, in Co. Midd., Esq., acknowledges that he owes £3000 to Edw. Ramsey, Esq., and Nic. Hawes, gent.

5 Chas. I., p. 46, n. 183. 19 May. Thos. Emerson, of Lincoln's Inn, in Co. Midd., esq., acknowledges that he owes to Edw. Cropley, citizen and mercer of London, £500. This recognizance is void, because on the 14th of May, 6 Chas. I., the sd. Edw. declared that he had received all the said money.

7 Chas. I., p. 27, n. 23. Ind., made 6th May, bet. Sir John Howland, of Streatham, in Co. Surrey, Knt., of one part, and Henry Ellott and Mathewe Emerson, of Streatham, in Co. Surrey, gents. For 10s. the said Sir John has sold to the sd. Henry and Mathewe the manor of Tootingbeck, in Co. Surrey; also messuages, houses, etc., in Seething Lane, London, and in Tower street, and in the par. of All Hallows, Barking, and All Saints, Barking; also the capital mansion house in Streatham called Colbrandes: to hold to them and their heirs for ever.

11 Chas. I., p. 24, n. 5. 23 Oct. Ind., made bet. Andrewe Troughton, citizen and grocer, of London, on the one part, and Henry Sparke, of the par. of St. Andrew, Holborn, in Co. Midd., gent., and Foulk Emerson, citizen and haberdasher, of London, of the other part. The sd Andrew for 5s. has sold to the said Hen. and Foulk and their heirs for ever the mess. called the White Hart, lying in Bucklers Bury, in par. of St. Stephen in Walbrooke, in the ward of Cheap, London.

11 Chas. I., p. 27, n. 12. 12 Feb. Ind. bet. Sir John Howland, of Streatham, in Co. Surrey, Knt., and Dame Cicilie his wife, of the one part, and Nathaniel Tipton and Mathew Emerson, of Streatham, gents., of the other part. Said Sir John and Dame Cicilie for 20s. have sold to the said Nathaniel and Mathewe, and their heirs for ever messuages, etc., in Seething Lane, London, and in Tower St., in the par. of All Hallows, Barking, and All Saints, Barking.

13 Chas. I., p. 37, n. 4. 20 Nov., 1637. Ind. bet. Hen. Rogers, of London, gent., of the one part, and Christr. Emerson, of London, merchant, and Will. Wise, of Lincoln's Inn, in Co. Midd., Esq., of the other part. The sd. Hen. has sold to the sd. Christr. and William and their heirs for ever the Marsh called Sutton Marsh, in the parts of Holland in Co. Linc., called Sutton High Marsh, Sutton Lowe Marsh, Sutton New Marsh, and Lutton Marsh, lying bet. the old seabancke of the country on the west, the low water mark of the sea on the east, and bounded upon Gedney salt marsh on the north, and Tidd St. Mary Marsh on the south.

14 Chas. I., p. 6, n. 36. 30 Ap. Ind. bet. Thos. Payce, of Tooting, in Co. Surrey, husbandman, s. and h. of George Payce, late of Tooting, husb., decd., of the 1st part, Francis Miles, of Tooting, gent., and Thos. Johnson, of Tooting, gent., of the 2nd part, and Mathew Emerson, of Streatham, in Co. Surr., gent., of the 3rd part. The sd. Thos. Payce, for 20s. has sold to sd. Mathewe E. and his heirs for ever the mess. and farm called Gildens, in the par. of Heckfield, in Co. Southton.

16 Chas. I., p. 21, n. 31. 20 May, 9 Chas. I. Ind. bet. Wil-

liam Wise, of Lincoln's Inn, in Co. Midd., esq.,and Christr. Emmerson, of London, merchant. The sd. Will. has demised to the s d. Christr. the farm called Drihill Farm, in the par. of Sundrish and Cheving, in Co. Kent; also a mill called Sundrish Mill, and a tenement called Chenninges, for 99 years next coming, at the yearly rent of 12d. On the last day of Nov., 16 Chas. I., the sd. Will. Wise came and acknowledged the sd. indenture and all things therein contained.

2 Jas. I., pt. 29. (No. 1794.) Indenture, made 10 March, 2 Jas. I., between Sir John Ramsey, Kt., and Thomas Emerson, of London, Esq., of the one pt., and Edward Furthoe, of Furthoe, Co. Northton, Esq., of the other part; being sale, for £137 10s., to Furthoe, of Northwood Coppice, adjoining the Forest of Whittelwood, Co. Northton, sometime parcel of the possessions of one Furthoe, Esq., with all its appurts., etc., granted by letters patent, dated 2 March, 2 Jas. I., to Ramsey and Emerson, for services by them rendered, and at a yearly rent to the Crown of 55s.

2 Jas. I., pt. 30. (No. 1795.) Indenture, made 16 March, between Thomas Emerson, of London, Esq., of the one part, and Thomas Orde, of Orde, Co. Durham, gent., of the others; being sale by Emerson (for £40), to Orde, of tent. in Lucker, Co. Northbld., with its appurts. in Yardley, sd. Co., lately parcel of the possessions of Alnwick Monastery, granted to Sir John Ramsey and said Emerson by letters patent, dated 2 March, 2 Jas. I., at ann. rent to the Crown of 10s.; Sir John Ramsey having released his rights in the same to Emerson by deed, dated 11th March instant.

3 Jas. I., pt. 3. (No. 1801.) Indenture, made 21 March, 2 Jas. I., between Thomas Emerson, of London, Esq., of the one part, and Thomas Marshall, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, of the other, by which Emerson grants to Marshall his rights in lands and tents. in Westharford, psh. of Horton, Co. Northbld., formerly parcel of the possessions of the Monastery of Tinmouth, granted to Sir John Ramsey, and sd. Emerson by letters patent, dated 2 March inst., at a yearly rent to the Crown of 40s.

3 Jas. I., pt. 6. (No. 1804.) Indenture, dated 17 May, between Thomas Emerson, of London, Esq., of the one part and Robert Tyrrwhitt, of Kettlebye, Co. Linc., Esq., of the other; being deed of sale by Emerson (for a certain sum of money) of lands in Immingham, Co. Linc., late parcel of the possessions of the Chantry of St. Nicholas in Bowdicke, psh. of Billinghey, Co. Linc., granted by letters patent, dated 2 March, 2 Jas. I., to Sir John Ramsey and said Emerson, at a yearly rent to the Crown of 26s. 8d., the said Ramsey having conveyed his rights in the same to Emerson by deed, dated 11th of said month of March.

Ibid. Indenture, dated 23 March, 2 Jas I., betweeu Thomas Emerson, of London, Esq., of the one pt., and William Bennett, of London, gent., of the other; being deed of Sale by Emerson of two tents. in Blyndholestreet, Boro' of Launceston, Co. Cornwall, and other premises there, formerly in hands of 2 Eliz. by virtue of the Act for dissolution of Chantries, etc., in Co. Cornwall, and granted as above at an ann. rent of 17s. 10d. to the Crown; the sum paid is not specified.

4 Jas. I., pt. 5. (No. 1842.) Indenture, dated 27 Oct., between Thomas Emerson, of London, Esq., and William Bennett, of the same, gent, of the one part, and William Pagett, of Edgecote, Co. Bucks, gent., of the other; being deed of sale by Emerson and Bennett (for an unspecified sum) of land called Trindle acre, in a certain field called Welland, in Cookeham, Co. Berks, and other land and messuages there, as granted by letters patent of the 26th Inst. to said Emerson and Bennett, at an ann. rent to the Crown of 6s. 8d.

4 Jas. I., p. 9. (No. 1846.) Indenture, dated 16th July, between Hugh Browker, Esq., one of the Prothonotaries of the Court of Common Pleas, Peeter Turner, of the psh. of Little St. Ellen's within Bishoppsgate, London, Doctor of Physicke, and Thomas Emerson, of the Inner Temple, London, Esq., of the one part, and Phillipe Henslowe, of the psh. of St. Saviour's, Southwark, Co. Surrey, Esq., of the other. Whereas Emm Emerson, widow of Humfrey Emerson, gent., dec d., by Indre. dated 27 Aug., 2 Jas. I., between herself and Rd. Mellershe, gent., of the one part, and the said Hugh Browker and Peter Turner of the other, sold and surrd. to said Browker and Turner all her estate in the lands, tents., etc., devised to her for life by will of said Humfrey Emerson, dated 14th Nov. then last past, excepting one capl. mess. wherein she then dwelt, in St. Saviour's, Southwark, with the shopp, etc., thereto belonging; by this present Indre. Browker and Turner, at the entreaty of said Thomas Emerson, assign to Philip Henslow a mess. in Dulwich, psh. of Camberwell, Co. Surrey, wh. said premises were bequeathed and aliened as above.

10 Jas. I., pt. 38. (No. 2148.) Indenture, dated 13 March, 1612, between Henry Emerson, of Stockwell, Co. Surrey, gent., of the one part, and Thos. Ashton, Cit. and Haberdasher, of London, of the other; being deed of sale (for £153) by Emerson of mess. on Ludgate Hill, in the psh. of St. Martin within Ludgate, Lon. (the mess. is minutely described), wh. descended to said Emerson from John Robiont, his grandfather; said Emerson being s. and h. of Anne Emerson, decd., wife of Thomas Emerson, late of Southwark, gent., decd., and dau. of said John Robiont, Cit. and girdler of London; and John R. had the mess. by bequest from one Lawrence R., late Cit. and girdler of London, decd. Elizabeth, wife of Henry E., joins in the grant.

12 Jas. I., pt. 5. (No. 2203.) Indre., dated 10 Dec., 1613, between Henry Emerson, of South Lambeth, Co. Surrey, gent., and John Watts, Cit. and Brewer, of London, by which Emerson (for £950) sells 29 mess., in the psh. of St. Saviour's, Southwark, which sd. Henry inherits as above from John Robiont, and finally from Lawrence R. Elizabeth, his wife, joins as above.

12 Jas. I., pt. 7. (No. 2205.) Indre., dated 6 Dec., 1614, between James Ireland, of London, gent., and Edward Emerson, Cit. and Brewer, of London, Exors. of the will of Roger Bellowe, Cit. and Brewer of London, decd., of the one part, and John Allyn, Cit. and Plasterer, of London, of the other; selling to Allyn a mess. in Cocke Lane, part of the estate of decd.

12 Jas. I., pt. 40. (No. 2238.) Indre., dated 20 July, 1614, between the same parties, and to the same effect as the indre. next above.

13 Jas. I., p. 27. (No. 2264.) Indre., dated 28 Dec., 1614, between James Ireland and Edwd. Emerson, as above, of the first part; and Arthur Delavall, Cit. and Haberdasher, of London, and Thomas Emerson, Cit. and Brewer, of London, of the other; being deed of sale of the "Gilt Hart" or "Red Hart," in the psh. of St. Giles's without Cripplegate; part of the estate of the late Roger Bellowe.

21 Jas. I., pt. 28. (No. 2560.) Indre., 31 Dec., between John Emerson, of the City of Oxon., Tailor, and William Grice, of the same, vintner; being trust deed, assigning to Wm. Grice (as by Indre. of 12 Feb. last past agreed upon) a mess., etc., in St. Michael's, Oxford, and elsewhere in the City, to the use of John Emerson and Adry, his wife, dau. of said Wm. Grice; and their heirs male to be begotten. Both parties are of the psh. of St. Mary's, Oxford.

2 Chas. I., pt. 41. (No. 2687.) Indre. made 7 Oct., 1626, betw. Thomas Emerson, of Lincolne Inne, Co. of Middx., gent., and Anthony Skynner, of the City of London, Haberdasher, of the 2d. part, by wh. T. Emerson, the elder, as son and h. app. of Thomas Emerson, late of Hadley, Co. Midd., Esq., decd., sells to Anthony Skynner mess., etc., in Crutched Friars, in St. Ollive's, near Tower Hill, in the Boro' of Southwark; in St. Margaret's Hill, Southwark (subject to leases by one Humfrey Emerson), etc., for £2000.

Ibid. Indre., dated 15 Jan., 2 Chas. I., between Jane Emerson, of Monken Hadley, Co. Midd., widow, late wife of Thomas Emerson, of Monken Hadley, Esq., decd., and Thomas Emerson, of Monken Hadley, their son and heir, and Nicholas Hawes, of London, gent., on the one part, and Michael Grigge, of London, Esq., and Mary, his wife, on the other, being deed of Sale of the Manor of Monken Hadley for £1400.

3 Chas. I., pt. 11. (No. 2701.) Indre. made 20 April, betw. Thos. Emerson, of London, Esq., and Sir Richard Lovelace, of Hurley, Co. Berks., Kt., and Francis Lovelace, gent., his second son, by which Emerson (for £600) sells tithes in Burnham and Cipenham, Co. Bucks., as granted by letters patent of 19 May, 8 Jas. I., to Francis Maurice and Francis Phillipes.

13 Jas. I., 3 July. No. 541. (At Westminster.) True Bill, 25 March, against . . . . (*inter al.*) Johanna, wife of Christopher Emerson, of St. Andrew's, Holborn, yeoman, for not attending church or chapel since the above 25th of March. (Mid. Sess. Rolls.)

3 Chas. I., pt. 32. (No. 2722.) Deed of sale, dated 3 May, 1627 (for £100), by John Emerson, of Ipswich, Co. Suffolk, mariner, to Edward Cardinall, of Stratford, sd. Co., gent., and Samuel Courtnall, of Brantham, sd. Co., yeom., of a mess., etc., in St. Clement's, Ipswich, with power to redeem for the same sum.

5 Chas. I., pt. 26. (2799.) Indre., dated 19 May, betw. Thomas Emerson, of Lincoln's Inn, Esq., and Edward Cropley, Cit. and Mercer, of London, and Luke Cropley, do. do., being deed of sale by Emerson of tent. called "The Salutation," in St. Saviour's, Southwark, and a mess. used for a prison called the Counter, etc.; a mess. on St. Margaret's Hill, another in the Boro', etc., etc. (subject to one or two leases previously granted by said Emerson), for £250. Mary, the "now" wife of Emerson, joins with him.

9 Chas. I., pt. 34. (No. 2989.) Indre., dated 26 May, 7 Chas. I., betw. Thomas Emerson, of Lincoln's Inn, Esq., and Richard Maning, of Maydenbradley, Co. Wilts, Esq., being trust deed by Emerson, granting rents of Manor of Caversham, Co. Berks., after his own decease, and during the life of his now wife, Mary, to use of the sd. Mary. The said rents were bot. by Emerson for term of lives, from Henry Gibb, by Indre. dated 18 Nov., 4 Chas. I., and were originally granted by letters patent of 30 July, 21 Jas. I., to Thos. Gybbs and Lawrence Whitaker.

13 Chas. I., pt. 11. (No. 3117.) Indre., dated 4 May, betw. William Emerson als Anderson, of Wiggenhall St. Peter, Co. Norfolk, yeoman, and Gregory Gorsell, of Watlington, Co. Norf., Esq., and Thos. Wilford, of Wiggenhall St. Peter, gent., being deed of sale by Emerson of mess. called Sparks Chantrey, and lands in Wiggenhall St. Peter, for a certain sum.

13 Chas. I., pt. 24. (No. 3130.) Indre., dated 2 Nov., 1637, betw. Andrewe Troughton, of Thwaites in Milham, Co. Cumberland, gent., Henry Sparke, of St. Andrew's, Holborn, Co. Middx., gent., and Fulke Eme son, of the psh. of St. Gregorie's, London, Haberdasher, and Richard Franck, of Takeley, Co. Essex, gent., s. and h. app. of Arthur Franck, late Cit. and Skinner, of London, now decd., of the one part, and John Hatt, of London, gent., of the other part, being deed of sale (for £590). of two mess., called "Talbott" and "Whitehart," in Bucklersbury, psh. of St. Stephen, Walbrook, London.

Patent Rolls.

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Vol. I., p. 129. The King to the Mayor and Sheriffs of London. One of the witnesses, William, son of Amis. Tower of London, 5 Mch., 16 John, 1215.

12 Edw. I., mem. 2. Protection and safe conduct, until Michaelmas, for Richd. Reymundi and Richd., son of Emma, and their fellows, men of the Abbot of S. Wereburg, Chester, going by sea to buy necessaries for the Abbot. Lampader, 12 Nov., 1284.

27 Edw. I., m. 7 d. Commission to Wm. de Mortuo Mari and Bogo de Knovill, on complaint by Peter Corbet that . . . . Hugh, son of Emma [and others], lately entered his free chace at Worthin and Habberle, Co. Salop, hunted therein and carried away deer. 18 Oct., 1299, Westr.

21 Edw. I., m. 17. Licence for the alienation in mortmain by . . . John, son of Geoffrey, son of Emma, and Wm., son of Geoff., son of Emma, to the prior and brethren of the hospital of S. Mary, Gt. Massingham, of land. Westr., 12 May, 1293.

26 Edw. I., m. 4. Pardon to John, son of Thos., son of Gilbt. de Appelby, by reason of service in Scotld., for the death of Roger, son of Emma Attetounende. Jedburgh, 4 Oct., 1298.

4 Ed. II., pt. I., m. 6. Pardon to John, son of Emma de Horton, for death of Robt. Godard, of Horton, and for other felonies. Linlithgow, 28 Oct., 1310.

4 Ed. II., pt. II., m. 12. Pardon to Robt. Ordlof, of Aldeby, for death of Jno., son of Emma de Thorpe. Berwk.-on-Tweed, 29 May, 1311.

4 Ed. II., pt. I., m. 6. Pardon to Ranulph le Mercer, of Kylvynton, for death of Ralph, son of Emma . . . Linlithgow, 28 Oct., 1310.

5 Ed. II., pt. II., m. 14. Inspeximus and confirmn. to prior and convent of Bridlington of divers grants, etc., viz., by . . . . Wm., son of Emma de Haterbergh, of a bovate of land and a toft . . . . York, 7 Mch., 1312.

6 Ed. II., pt. I., m. 20 d. Commn. of oyer and terminer to Wm. de Ormesby . . . on complaint agst. . . . . Jno. Emmeson, Edmd. Johaneserjaunt Emmeson . . . . by Alice, late wife of Roger le Bygod . . . Westr., 7 Sept., 1312.

4 Edw. II., pt. I., m. 6. Pardon to Robt., son of Alan Emmesonne, for death of Barthw., son of Stephen le Bracere. Linlithgow, 27 Oct., 1310.

1 Ed. III., pt. III., m. 24 d. Commn. of oyer and termr. agst. . . . Geoffrey Emerysone . . . 20 Sep., 1327, Lincoln. Commn. afterwds. charged at Nottingham, 20 Oct.

1 Ed. III. pt. II., m. 15. Pardon to Alan, son of Emma, for death . . . York, 13 June, 1327.

1 Ed. III., pt. II , m. 15. Pardon to Martin, son of Wm. de Karliolo, for death of Robt., son of Emma de Husacre. . . . York, 13 June, 1327.

2 Ed. III., pt. I., m. 30 d. Commn. of oyer and termr. on complt. by Albin de Sutton agst. . . . Nichs., son of Emma de Stikeford, and others. York, 20 Feb., 1328.

2 Ed. III., pt. I., m. 14 d. Ditto. Lincoln, 2 Mch., 1327.

3 Edw. III., pt. II., m. 13 d. Commn. of oyer and termr. on complaint of Abbot of Roche agst. . . . Wm., son of Emma de Herthill. . . . Kenilworth, 20 Nov., 1329.

4 Edw. III., pt. I., m. 16. Pardon to . . . John, son of Emma, "The White," . . . for death of certain persons. Woodstock, 31 May, 1330.

9 Edw. III., pt. II., m. 17. Pardon to Wm., son of Emma de Shupton, for trespasses of vert and venison. . . . B.-on-Tweed, 15 Oct., 1335.

4 Rich. II., pt. II., m. 21. Pardon to Jas., son of Wm. de Forde, for death of Richd. Amisson. 28 Feb., 1381.

(15 MS vols., Indices to Patent Rolls, 8 to 17 Edw. I., not searched.)

38 Hen. VIII., 5th Part. Emerson, 8 July [1546]. A messuage (or messuages), in Ldp. of Severby, etc., Co. Lincoln, to George Emerson.

5 Edw. VI., Part 7. Emerson, Richd., and others. Special pardon. 8 Feb. [1551].

3 Elizabeth, 8 pt. Licence granted to Richd. Ames and others. 6 Nov. [1561].

6 Elizabeth, 3 Pt. Commn. granted to Jno. Amys, and others. 15 May [1564].

7 Eliz., 10th pt. Emerson, Wm. Tenements called "le savage," in Wannesworth, Co. Surrey, for 21 years by commissn. 23 Feb. [1565].

16 Eliz., 1st pt. Emerson, Christr., and others, pardon of outlawry. 25 June [1574].

17 Eliz., 10th pt. Emerson, John. Property in Durham for 21 years. 25 Nov. [1574]. Emes, Wm., Licence to. 7 Oct. [1576].

24 Eliz., 11th pt. Ames, Jno., Pardon. 7 May [1582].

25 Eliz., 10th pt. Emes, Wm., Licence. 1 Dec. [1582].

27 Eliz., 8th pt. Emmes, Richd., Licence. 2 June [1585].

39 Eliz., 19 pt. Ames, Richd., Pardon. 8 June [1597].

43 Eliz., 19 pt. Emerson, Alexr., Licence, re Manor of Rainethorpe, Co. Lincoln. 1 Sept. [1601].

44 Eliz., 20 pt. Ames, Wm., Property in Dunstable. 1 Sept. [1602].

1 Edw. III., pt. 3, mem. 24 d. Commission to try complaint of John fil. John, of Sutton, in Holderness, against Geoffrey Fitz Hugh, of Kingston-on-Hull. . . . . Geoffrey Emerysone, for assaulting the said John Fitz John, at Drypole, in Holderness, 20 Sept., at Lincoln. A second commn. issued at Nottingham, 20 Oct., same year.

2 Edw. III., pt. 1, mem. 14 d. Commission to try complaint of Albinus de Sutton against Thomas Fox . . . . and Nicholas fil. Emme de Stykeford, for assault and trespass at Stykeford. Dated Lincoln, 20 March.

38 Henry VIII., pt. 5, mem. 9. Grant, dated 8 July, to George Emerson, of a mess. in the Royal Demesne of Severby, Co. Linc., with a close and 10 bovates of land, late part of the possessions of Sir Robert Constable, Kt., and fallen in to the Crown by reason of his attainder, for 21 years, at 60s. rent; Emerson paying a fine of £3.

5 Edw. VI., pt. 7, mem. 1. Pardon, dated 18 Feb., to John Halywell, late of Egham, Co. Surrey, yeoman . . . . . Richard Emerson, of Old Windsore, Co. Berks, yeoman, for shooting a prickett in the Great Park, Windsor, 20 Oct., 4 Edw. VI.

7 Eliz., pt. 10, mem. 23. Grant, dated 23 Feb., of 21 years lease of a mess. in Wannesworth, Co. Surrey, called "Le Savage," formerly part of the Manor of Wannesworthe, and annexed to the Royal Honour of Hampton Court, to William Emerson, who has acquired the title thereto, granted to Edward Walshe, gent., by Edward VI., 1 May, 1st year of his reign; at a rent of 110s. per ann.

16 Eliz., pt. 1, mem. 29. Pardon, dated 25 June, to Thomas Bawne, or Bavne, late of Skerne, Co. York; Christopher Emerson, late of Barton, Co. York, Roper; Percival Kelke, of Thornton, Co. Linc., yoman, and others, for failing to appear in the Court of Queen's Bench, in answer to Richard Rede, of Thornton Curtas, Co. Linc., gent., who sought to recover against them a debt of £240, and also £5 6s. damages awarded him in the said Court.

17 Eliz., pt. 10, mem. 21—2. Grant, dated 25 Nov., of 21 years' lease of herbage and pannage of the East and West Parks of Brauncepeth, Co. Durham; the Lady Close there; cottages called Rawling house and Auditor's house; a house called the warkehouse, etc., there, to John Emerson. The premises, formerly parcel of the possessions of Charles E., of Westmoreland, attainted, had been granted and leased, 28 Nov., 16 Eliz., to William Pelham, Esq., who has surrendered it in order that John E. may obtain a lease. Total rent, £42 15s. 0d.

43 Eliz., pt. 19, mem. 23. Licence, dated 1 Sept., to Thomas Darnell, Esq., and Helen his wife, and Agnes Darnell, widow, to alienate to Alexander Emerson, the M. of Rainethorpe als. Ranthorpe; and a mess., 8 cottages, 200 a. l., 30 a. mead., 40 a. pasture, 40 a. underwood, 40 a. ling, and 40 a. moor, etc., in Rainethorpe and Appulbie, Co. Lincoln, held of the Crown in chief.

43 Eliz. (1601), Part 19, 1st September. The Queen to Thomas Darnell. Licence to alienate the Manor of Rainethorpe, in Co. Lincoln, to Alex. Emerson.

1 James I., Part 9, 1st February. The King to Alex. Emerson. Licence to alienate the Manor of Rainethorpe, Co. Lincoln, to Thos. Merburye.

2 James I., Part 10, 2nd March. The King to John Ramsay, Kt., and Thomas Emerson. The Manor of Swaffham, in Co. Cantabury, and others in Northumberland, Surrey, Cornwall, Derby, Lincoln, York, Nottingham, Northampton, to them and their heirs in perpetuity.

4 James I., Part 17, 1st March. To John Ramsey, Lord Haddington. Licence to alienate the 10th of grain growing in the parish of Hoton Cranswick, Co. York, to Thomas Emerson, Esq.

4 James I., Part 18, 18th September. The King to Thomas Emerson, Esq. The Rectory and Church of Burgham, Co. Kent, to him and his heirs in perpetuity.

4 James I., Part 21, 26 October. The King to Thomas Emerson, and William Bennett. The free Chapel of Fichelden, Co. Wilts, with others in same County, and in Dorset, Bristol, Devon, Berks, Kent, Huntingdon, Sussex, Lincoln, Nottingham and Southampton, to them and their heirs in perpetuity.

4 James I., Part 29, 19 February. The King to Thomas Emerson, Esquire, and Wm. Bennet, gent., messuage and tenement lying in parish of St. Martin's, City of London, with others in Cos. Somerset, Wilts, Lincoln, to them and their heirs in perpetuity.

5 James I., Part 24, 18 October The King to Thomas Emerson. Messuage in St. David Downe, and others in Cos. Devon, Dorset, Somerset, Lincoln, Leicester, Oxford, Southampton, Wilts, Northumberland and York, to him and his heirs in fee in perpetuity.

7 James I., Part 12, 27 November. The King to Thomas Emerson. All the Burgh of Malmesbury et divers others, in Wilts, Dorset, Lancaster, Lincoln, York, Durham, to him and his heirs in perpetuity.

12 James I., Part I., No. 5, 1st April. The King to Thomas Emerson and Martin James. A messuage called Romeden, in Smarden, and others in Kent; to them and their heirs.

13 James I., Part 12, No. 92, 19 February. The King to Thomas Emerson. The Manor of New Langport, in Co. Kent, to him and his heirs.

14 James I., Part 18, No. 3, 1st Oct. The King to Thomas Emerson, Esq. Site of the Manor of Parva Chilton, and others in Durham, Huntingdon, Kent and Berks, to him and his heirs.

15 James I., Part 10, No. 17, 30th May. The King to Thomas Emerson, Esqr. Manors of New Langport and Sevans, and others in Co. Kent, to him and his heirs.

15 James I., Part 27, No. 41, 1st December. The King to Thomas Emerson. Licence to alienate the site of the Manor of Parva Chilton, and others in Durham, to Edward Cropley.

18 James I., Part 28, No. 40, 8th July. The King to Thomas Emerson and others. 20 messuages in town of London, acquires of Thomas Culwich, to him and his heirs, and a messuage called Renged Hall.

19 James I., part 18, No. 33, 2nd April. The King to Thomas Emerson and others. Licence to alienate a messuage called Renged Hall and others in London, to Robert Kympton and others.

1 Charles I., Part 23, No. 16, 1st December. The King to Thomas Emerson. Licence to alienate a messuage called the Vicarage, and others in Co. Middlesex, to Matthew Thwayte and others.

2 Charles I. (1627), Part 30, No. 73, 2nd January. The King to Jane Emerson, widow. Licence to alienate the Manor of Monken, in Co. Middlesex, to Michael Grigg and others.

6 Charles I., Part 26, No. 65, 1st January. The King to Alexander Emerson. Licence to alienate all that messuage in Cunisholme, Lincoln, to William Blanchard Knight.

7 Charles I., Part 30, No. 25, 1st April. The King to Thomas Emerson, Esq. Licence to alienate half the lands, one cottage, 120 acres of land in Neenesavage and Wabtowne, Co. Salop, and half of three messuages in Gleebury Mortimer, Gleeburie Barnes and Hopton Wafrey, Co. Salop, to Richard Manyage.

13 Charles I., Part 12, No. 2, 1st September. The King to Fulconi Emerson and others. Licence to alienate two messuages in the parish of St. Stephen's in Walbroke, City of London, to John Hall.

13 Charles I., Part 37, No. 66, 28 June. The King to Matthew Emerson and others. The manor of Tootingbeck, Co. Surrey, acquired of John Holland Knight.

(Rolls from 21 Chas. I. to 12 Chas. II. missing.)

2 Jas. I., part 10, memb. 14. The King to all, etc., greeting. Know ye that We in consideration of the true and acceptable service rendered to Us by Our beloved servant, John Ramsey, Knight, and for divers other good causes Us thereunto moving, of Our special grace do by these presents grant to the said John Ramsey and to Our beloved subject Thomas Emerson and their heirs all that Our manor of Swaffham, in Co. Cambridge, with all its rights, members and appurts., by the clear yearly value of £30s. 2d., late parcel of the possessions of the late Priory of Swaffham Bulbeck, in Co. Cambridge, lately dissolved, all that Our manor of Swaffham Bulbeck in Co. Cambs. and Suffolk, with all its appurts., of the clear yearly value of £34 5s. 8d., late parcel of the possessions of the Bishoprick of Ely; all the rents of Our free tenants in Swaffham Bulbeck, of the clear yearly value of 18s. 3d.; all the rents of Our tenants at will there, of the clear value of 11s.; all Our lands and tenements there held at will, amounting to 11s. yearly; all that Our fishery with the alder trees in Swaffham Bulbeck; Our fishery called the Harpe in Mildenhall, in Cos. Cambs. and Suffolk; 30 acres of woodland parcel of Our wood called Nonnes Wood, in the parish of Woodditton, in Co. Cambs.; 14 acres of woodland residue of 44 acres within the said Nunnes Wood; the messuage or tenement in Ditton Valence, otherwise called Woodditton, in Co. Cambs., late in the tenure of Henry Tayler, and all the meadows, feedings, pastures, rents and profits to the said messuage belonging; all that house late the Priory of Swaffham Bulbecke, and all the houses, buildings, barns, stables, orchards, gardens, etc., being within the site and precinct of the said late Priory; 308½ acres of land in Swaffham Bulbeck; pasture for 300 sheep yearly upon the common there; 20 a. of meadow and 17 a. of pasture there, to the said late Priory belonging; the water-mill there with appurts., and all the lands, closes, meadows, pastures, houses, ditches and fishings to the said mill adjoining and belonging; the tenement and croft to the same adjacent in Swaffham Bulbeck; the Mease, Place, or tenement called Lambeholme in Mildenhall, late in the occupation of Henry Pope; and all perquisite and profits of Our court in Swaffham Bulbeck; all which said premises in Swaffham Bulbeck, Mildenhall and Woodditton were late parcel of the possessions of the Bishoprick of Ely; the tenement in Lucker, in Co. Northumberland, in the tenure of Henry Man; the tenement in Yardley in the said county, sometime in the tenure of Gilbert Scoote: which said tenements were late parcel of the possessions of the late Monastery of Alnewick, in the said county; 3 a. of meadow in Bilson, in Co. Suff., now or late in the tenure of Henry Osmond, parcel of the lands and possessions which came into the hands of King Edw. 6 by force of an Act of Parliament relating to chantries, Colleges, etc.: 4 purprestures and other the Brookes called Durneford Brookes lying at the bridge of Durneford, in the parish of Chertsey, in Co. Surrey, between the way leading from Chertsey to Oking on the west part, the pasture called Brooke, on the east part, the meadow of William Smyth called Longemeade on the south part, and the common way called Durneford Hill on the north part, being parcel of the lands lately purchased of Giles Leigh, and before that parcel of the lands of Edward Castell, of Horsell; 2 tenements situate in Blindeholestreet, in the borough of Launceston, in Co. Cornwall, now or late in the tenure of Robert Gourge; the barn situate without the south gate of the said borough of Launceston, now or late in the tenure of Stephen Bennett; the tenement situate next the spire (Spirem) in the Church of the Blessed Mary Magdalen, in Launceston, in the tenure of Richard Stowford; the tenement in Launceston in the tenure of Thomas Coni[m]er; the tenement in the high street there in the tenure of Thomas Cosein; the garden called a toft lying in Blindehollestreet in Launceston, in the tenure of William Augier; the portion of Our tithes in Tynyhorne and Crogwernell, in Co. Cornwall, in the tenure of John Jolyff, sometime parcel of the possessions of the late Priory of Launceston; all the lands, tenements, pastures, feedings and meadows in Normanby, in Co. York, in the tenure of Robert Robynson, parcel of the lands sometime given for the salary of 1 chaplain within the Castle of Skelton, in Co. York; the cottage and tenement in Dugmanton, in Co. Derby, in the tenure of John Hill, parcel of the possessions of the late chantries, Colleges, Guilds, etc., in Co. Derby; 10 a. of pasture in Borne, in Co. Lincoln, between the lands belonging to the manor of Borne on the east, and a parcel of land called Kinges Meadowe on the west, abutting upon Borne towards the south, and upon a parcel of pasture called Tonge, late in the tenure of Adrian Foster, towards the north, parcel of the possessions of the late Monastery of Spalding, in Co. Lincoln; the messuage or tenement, 1 croft of land, 15 a. of arable land, 12 a. of meadow and 5 a. of pasture in Cockerington, in Co. Lincoln, in the tenure of Thomas Sticold, late parcel of the possessions of the late Priory of Louthparke, in Co. Lincoln; the tenement in Stanington, in Co. Northumberland, 2 a. of arable land there and common of Stainston Moores, in the occupa-

tion of Thomas Robston, late parcel of the possessions of the late Monastery of Hexham, in the said county; 1 cottage and 2 closes situate in Hirton, in Co. York, sometime in the tenure of Thomas Smyth, late parcel of the possessions of the late Monastery of Whiteby in Co. York; 2 bovates of land and pasture containing 16 a. in Willerby, in the said county, sometime in the tenure of William Glentham, and now in that of John Yeddon, late parcel of the late Chantry called the Chantry of Denton, in the said county; all the garth called Mawdlyn Chappell Garth, lying at the east end of Tunstall, in Co. York, in the tenure of John Sutton, late parcel of the late Chantry of the Blessed Mary in the Church of Catterick within the Archdeaconry of Richmond, in Co. York; the tenement or cottage situate in Barkergatestreete, in the town of Nottingham, in Co. Notts., in the tenure of Thomas Mellers; the tenement or cottage situate in Castlegatestreet, in the said town, in the tenure of Simon H-nny; the tenement in Willemon Lane, in the said town, in the tenure of Lawrence Kirkby: which said premises in Nottingham were late parcel of the possessions of the late Monastery of Lenton, in Co. Notts; Our portion of the tithes yearly growing in Cossall, in Co. Notts., in the tenure of Christopher Plattes, late parcel of the possessions of the late Priory of Felley, in Co. Notts.; the coppice of wood and all those woods, underwoods and woodlands called Notwood Coppice, containing 23 a. in Co. Northampton, near adjoining the Forest of Whittlewood in the said county, sometime parcel of the possessions of one Furtho, Esq.; all those lands in Iningham, in Co. Lincoln, in the tenure of Thomas Missendon, of the yearly value of 26s. 8d., late parcel of the possessions of the late Chantry of St. Nicholas, in Bowdike, in the parish of Billinghey, in Co. Lincoln; the tenement lying in the "Crowched ffryers," in the City of London, sometime in the tenure of Edward Jeninges, and afterwards in that of Robert Ayner, and now or late in that of Richard Evans; the Chantry of Missen alias Missenden, in Co. Notts., and the mansion house to the same belonging; and all other the messuages, lands, tenements, etc., in the said county to the said late chantry belonging, lately demised to Giles Williamson; the messuage in Missen, in the tenure of Lancelot —; 1 messuage there in the tenure of Robert Tyes; one messuage there in the tenure of John Banister; one toft there in the tenure of Henry Milner; 1 messuage there in the tenure of William Botisman, late parcel of the late chantries, Colleges, etc., in Co. Notts.; 1 tenement with a garden adjoining, situate within the Grange of Kestron, in Co. Northumberland; 14 a. of meadow, 34 a. of arable land and common of pasture upon Ley Kestron and Wrighill Moore for the beasts belonging to the said tenement, sometime in the tenure of George Dichaunt; 1 tenement in Kestron with a garden adjoining, and 27 a. of arable land, 6 a. of meadow and common of pasture upon the Lees and Wrighill Moore in the said county, in the tenure of John Todd; 1 tenement with a garden adjoining and 15 a. of arable land, 5 a. of meadow and common of pasture upon Kestron Ley and Wrighill Moore, sometime in the tenure of Thomas Dichaunt, late parcel of the possessions of the late Monastery of Newemynster, in Co. Northumberland; all Our part of all the lands, tenements and hereditaments in West Harford, in the parish of Horton in the said county, in the tenure of Thomas Lawson, late parcel of the possessions of the late Monastery of Tynmouth, in the said county; the cottage in Ellington in the said county, sometime in the tenure of John Yonge, the mill there in the tenure of Thomas Gray, late parcel of the possessions of the said late Monastery of Tynmouth; all the rents and farms of certain lands there in the tenure of the tenants there, amounting to 5s. yearly; one close of pasture or land called St. John's Land, in Burton, in the said county, in the tenure of one Stevenson; all Our lands in Morpeth, in the said county, in the tenure of John Harrison, late parcel of the lands of the late Preceptory of the Mount of St. John the Baptist, in Co. York; the tenement called Marlecote Walles, alias Marclecote Walls, in Slaley, within the Barony of Bywell, in the said county, and an orchard and 12 a. of land in Slaley to the said tenement belonging, in the tenure of Gerrard Ourd, late parcel of the possessions of John Swinborne, attainted of high treason; the tenement in the Beeremarkett within the town of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, in Co. Northumberland, in the tenure of William Wise, late parcel of the possessions of the late Chantry of St. Thomas, founded in the Church of St. John, within the said town of Newcastle; and all the messuages, mills, houses, buildings, barns, stables, orchards, gardens, lands, wastes, sheep walks, woods, trees, wood ground, advowsons, free gifts and right of patronage of all the Churches, vicarages, chapels, tithes, oblations, glebes, fruits, waters, fishings, warrens, mines, quarries, rents, services, fee farms, wards, marriages, escheats, views of frank pledge, fairs, markets, tolls, customs, etc., etc., etc., whatsoever situate, lying and being within Our said counties, vills, fields, parishes, to the said manors, messuages, lands, tenements, etc., etc., in any way belonging or appertaining: Also the reversions and remainders of all the said premises, dependent or expectant upon any demises or grants for terms of lives or years, or otherwise; also the rents, reversions and yearly profits whatsoever reserved upon any grants of the said premises; and the rents and yearly profits of all the said premises. And moreover We have granted and hereby do grant to the said Sir John Ramsey and Thomas Emerson and their heirs that they may for ever have in all the said premises all, so much, the like and such courts leet, views of frank pledge, law daies, assize, assize of bread, wine and ale, chatte's waived, estrays, chattels of felons and fugitives, knights fees, wards, marriages, reliefs, heriots, free warrens and all other rights, jurisdictions, customs, privileges, profits and advantages whatsoever, and as fully, freely and wholly, and in such ample manner and form as any Bishop, Prior or Prioress or Abbott or Abbess at any time hitherto had, held, or enjoyed the same by reason or pretext of any charter, gift, grant or confirmation thereof made by Us or any of Our progenitors, or by reason of any lawful prescription, use or custom heretofore had or used, and in as ample manner as We or any of Our predecessors have had or enjoyed the same. The said manor of Swaffham is of the clear yearly value of £3 1s. 8d.; the manor of Swaffham Bulbeck and other, the premises in Swaffham Bulbecke, Mildenhall, Woodditton and Ditton Valence, £34 5s. 8d.; the tenement in Lucker, 10s.; the tenement in Yardley, 10s.; the premises in Bilson, 15s.; the premises in Chertsey, 8s.; the premises in Launceston, 17s. 10d.; the premises in Tynyhorne and Crogwernell, 6s. 8d.; the premises in Normanby, 18s.; the cottage and tenement in Dugamanton, 5s. 8d.; the premises in Borne, 13s. 4d.; the premises in Cockerington, 24s. 0d.; the tenement in Stanington, 5s.; the premises in Hirton, 6s. 8d.; those in Willerbie, 10s.; those in Tunstall, 6d.; those in the town of Nottingham, 15s.; those in Cossall, 6s. 8d.; Notwood Coppice, 55s.; the premises in Inningham [spelt Imingham before], 26s. 8d.; those in Crutched Fryers, in London, 25s.; the Chantry of Missen alias Missenden and the mansion house thereof, £6 3s. 8d.; the other premises in Missen, £3 18s. 4d.; those within the Grange of Kestron, £3 6s. 8d.; those in Westharford, 40s.; the cottage in Ellington, 2s.; the mill there, 8s.; the other premises there, 5s.; the premises in Burton, 2s.; those in Morpeth, 12d.; those in Slaley, 8s. 4d.; those in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 6s. 8d. To have, hold, and enjoy all the said premises to the said John Ramsey and Thos. Emerson, to the sole and proper use of them, their heirs and assigns for ever: to hold the manor and premises of and in Swaffham Bulbeck, Mildenhall, Woodditton and Ditton Valence of Us and Our heirs in capite or chief by the service of the 40th part of a knights fee, and to hold the manor of Swaffham as of Our manor of East Greenwich, in Co. Kent, by fealty only in free and common socage, and not in chief or my knight's service, paying therefore yearly to Us and Our heirs for the said manor of Swaffham £3 1s. 8d., and for the said manor of Swaffham Bulbeck and other the premises there, and in Mildenhall, Woodditton and Ditton Valence, £34 5s. 8d.; for the premises in Lucker, 10s.; for those in Yardley, 10s.; those in Bilson, 15s.; in Chertsey, 8s.; in Launceston, 17s. 10d.; those in Tynyhorne and Crogwernell, 6s. 8d.; in Normanby, 18s.; in Dugmanton, 5s. 8d.; in Borne, 13s. 4d.; those in Cockerington, 24s. 8d.; in Stannington, 5s.; in Hirton, 6s. 8d.; in Willerbie, 10s.; in Tunstall, 6d.; in the town of Nottingham, 15s.; in Cossall, 6s. 8d.; Notwood Coppice, 55s.; the premises in Inningham, 26s. 8d.; in Crutched Fryers, London, 25s.; for the Chantry of Missen alias Missenden, £6 3s. 8d.; for other the premises in Missen, £3 18s. 4d.; for the premises within the Grange of Kelstron, £3 6s. 8d.; those in Westharford, 40s.; the cottage in Ellington, 2s.; the mill there, 8s.; the premises there, 5s.; in Burton, 2s.; in Morpeth, 12d.; in Slaley 8s. 4d.; and for the premises in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 6s. 8d., to be paid into the receipt of Our exchequer at Westminster at the feasts of the Annunciation and St. Michael the Archangel yearly. And moreover We will and grant to the said John Ramsey and Thomas Emerson that these Our Letters Patent shall be in all things firm, valid, good and effectual in the law against Us and Our heirs in all courts, etc., within Our Kingdom of England. Witness Ourself at Westminster, 2nd March. By Writ of Privy Seal.

4 Jas. I., part 18. The King to all, etc. Know ye that We, in consideration of the good and faithful service rendered to Us by John Ramsey, Knt., lord of Barnes, Viscount Haddington, and at the humble petition of the said

Viscount, of Our special grace have granted to Our beloved subject, Thomas Emerson, Esq., and his heirs all that Our Rectory and Church of Burgham, in Co. Kent, with all their rights, members and appurts., of the yearly rent or value of £13 6s. 8d., late parcel of the possessions of the late Priory or Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem, in England; also all the messuages, mills, houses, buildings, structures, barns, stables, dovecots, gardens, orchards, lands, tenements, meadows, pastures, fee-ings, commons, glebe lands, wastes, furze, heaths, moors, marshes, woods, underwoods, trees, tithes of sheaves of corn, grain, hay, wool, etc., etc., and all other tithes whatsoever large and small; also oblations, fruits, profits, waters, fisheries, warrens, mines, quarries, rents and services, knights fees, wards, marriages, escheats, fines, heriots, courts leet, views of frank pledge, chattels waived, estrays, fairs, markets, tolls, franchises, etc., etc., within the said county of Kent, to the said Rectory belonging; also the reversions of the said premises dependent or expectant upon any demise or grant for terms of lives or years or otherwise; also all rents and yearly profits reserved upon any grant or demise of the said premises. We also grant to the said Thomas Emerson and his heirs that they may hold and enjoy within the said premises all, such and the like courts leet, views of frank pledge, assize and assize of bread, wine and ale, chattels waived, estrays, chattels of felons and fugitives, knights fees, wards, marriages, reliefs, heriots, etc., etc., as fully and freely as any Prior or Priory or the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem in England, hitherto held and enjoyed them, by pretext of any charter, grant or gift made by Us or Our progenitors, and as freely and in such ample manner and form as We or Our progenitors held the same. We also give to the said Thomas Emerson and his heirs the advowson, free gift and right of patronage of the vicarage of the parish Church of Burgham, to the said rectory belonging: To have, hold and enjoy the said rectory and all the said premises to the said Thomas Emerson and his heirs to the sole and proper use of him and his heirs for ever: To hold of Us and Our heirs as of Our manor of East Greenwich in Our County of Kent by fealty only in free and common socage, and not in chief or by knights' service. These Our Letters Patents to be in all things firm, valid and good and sufficient in the law against Us and Our heirs in all courts within this Our kingdom of England. Witness Ourself at Westminster, 18 September. By Writ of Privy Seal.

4 Jas. I., part 21. The King to all, etc. Know ye that We at the humble request of William Parker, Knight, Lord Mountegle, of Our special grace have granted to Our beloved subjects, Thomas Emerson, Esq., and William Bennet, gent., and their heirs all that Our free Chapel of Fittleton als. Fichelden, in Co. Wilts, with its right, members and appurts.; the barn there and the close of pasture thereto adjoining containing ½ a.; all the tithes of grain and 2 parts of the tithes of wool and lambs yearly growing on Our farm of Hackeneston alias Hackeleston, in Co. Wilts, by the particular thereof of the yearly rent of £3 5s. 0d., late parcel of the possessions of Edward Darrell, Knt.; Our tenement in Warminster, in Co. Wilts, and the small close thereto adjoining; 2 a. of meadow in Pittmeale; 29 a. of arable land lying in the common fields of Warminster; the 2 parockes called Toppes; 2 a. of arable land to the said tenement belonging, in the tenure of William Mason, of the yearly rent of 40s.; parcel of the lands coming to Our hands by the dissolution of Colleges, etc.; all the profits yearly coming from all the fairs and markets to be held in Cerne, in Co. Dorset, of the yearly value of 2s. 6d.; parcel of the possessions of the late Monastery of Cerne; the tenement in Bristol in a street there called Cornestreet; the cellar lying under the said tenement, in the tenure of David Kettlewell; the garden in Bristol in the parish of St. Lawrence, adjoining a tenement there called the Chauntrye Chamber, in the tenure of James Whittington; which said premises in Bristol amount to the yearly value of 9s., and were late parcels of the possessions of the late Monastery of Kingeswood; all those lands and tenements called Parkers Landes, in Colebrooke, in Co. Devon; the tenement and garden in the tenure of Edward Brokinge, of the yearly rent of 21s.; the close of land and pasture, and 1 barn in the tenure of Nicholas Dyer, of the yearly rent of 9s.; all which premises in Co. Devon are situate in the parish of Plympton Marie; some of them were given towards the sustentation of a priest and others for the maintenance of a light before the image of the Blessed Mary in the Church of Plympton; the close of land and pasture in Backemore, in the parish of Plympton Marie, in Co. Devon, in the tenure of Simon Cappell als. Chappell, sometime given for the maintenance of a light before the said image in the said Church, of the yearly rent of 8s. 6d.; 1 acre of land called Trindle Acre, lying in a field called Wellande in Cookham, in Co. Berks, now or late in the tenure of Richard Hartwell, of the yearly rent of 12d., lately given by William Brice for the maintenance of a light in the Chapel of Maydenheathe, in Co. Berks; 1 other acre of land called Lampe Acre, in Cookeham, in the tenure of John Entman, of the yearly value of 12d., given for the use of 1 light for ever in the Church of Cookham; a tenement and 1¼ a. of arable land in Maydenheathe aforesaid, in the tenure of John Comyn, of the yearly rent of 4s. 8d.; besides 8s. 4d. paid to the College of Eton, lately given for the use of the Chapel in Maydenheathe: which said premises are situate in Maydenheathe, in the parishes of Cookeham and Braye, of the yearly rent of 6s. 8d.; 3 selions or lez Lees lying together in 1 pasture in Madingley, in Co. Cambs., containing 1½ a.; 18 a. of arable land in Madingley, in the tenure of Francis Hynde, Esq.; a barn and 1 pightell of land and pasture thereto adjoining cont. 1 rood, in Madingley; the pasture cont. 2 a.; 1 a. of meadow in the common field of Madingley; 14 a. of arable land in Madingley, in the ten. of Henry Reynolds; 2 selions or lez Lees of pasture, cont. 1 a. in Madingley; 1 pightell of pasture cont. ½ a., and ½ a. of meadow in the common field of Madingley; 8 a. of arable land in Madingley, in the ten. of Thomas Bushe: all which premises in Madingley amount to the clear yearly value of 21s. 4d., and were late parcel of the possessions of the late Priory of Chatteras, in Co. Cambs., now dissolved; all the lands, meadows, feedings and pastures in Paxton, in Co. Hunts., in the ten. of Agnes Angell, of the yearly value of 20s. 8d., late parcel of the poss. of the late Monastery of Busshiemeade, in Co. Hereford; a tenement in the City of Chichester, in Co. Sussex, in the tenure of William Comber, of the yearly rent of 13s. 4d.; also Our other tenement in the said City in the parish of St. Bartholomew, next the Westgate, in the tenure of Edmund Vincente, of the yearly rent of 10s.; another tenement in Chichester in the ten. of George Jugler, of the yearly rent of 20s.; and all the buildings, houses, barns, stables, gardens, cellars, shops, ways, paths, waste grounds and easements to the said tents. in Chichester belonging; the tent. in Lowthe, in Co. Linc., in the ten. of Margaret Ashbold alias Arshbolde, of the yearly rent of 4s. 4d., late parcel of the poss. of the late Monastery of Hagnaby, in Co. Linc.; 2 a. of pasture in Saltfletby-haven, in Co. Linc., in the ten. of Henry Daye, of the yearly rent of 6s. 8d.; 1½ a. of land in Saltfleetby, in the par. of Skydbrooke, in the ten of Michael Allen, of the yearly rent of 2s. 6d.; 1 toft in Keyldbye, in Co. Linc., called Guildhall Garth, late in the ten. of Edward Askenghe, of the yearly rent of 16d.; the tent. and garden in Rowghton, in Co. Linc., in the ten. of Geo. Balderton, of the yearly rent of 8s.; which said premises in Saultfletby-haven Keyldby and Roughton were late parcels of the poss. of the late chantries, colleges, etc., in Co. Linc.; all that our great land in Colby, in Co. Linc., cont. 5 a. called Barlinges Lands, abbutting upon the highway in Colbye Eastfeildes towards the west, and upon the heath there towards the east, in the ten. of John Henley, of the yearly rent of 2s., late parcel of the poss. of the late Monastery of Burlinge; the water mill of Bracebridge, and 1 pond and 1 close on the north part, 1 mess. and 1 barn built thereupon, and a garden adjoining in Workesoppe in Co. Notts., in the ten of Alice Stanelande, of the yearly rent of 42s. 8d., late parcel of the poss of the late Monastery of Worksoppe; the garden in the par. of St. Mary without the walls of the town of Southampton; 1½ a. of land in Hoggelande, in Co. Southt., in the ten. of Eliz. Blewett, widow, by copy of court roll, of the yearly rent of 5s., late parcel of the poss. of the Monastery and Priory of St. Dionisius, near the town of Southt.; all those mess., lands, tents. and hereditdts. in the ten. of divers persons lately belonging to the stipend of 1 priest in Ugborroughe, in Co. Devon, sometime demised to John Cliffe, gent., and afterwards to Geo. Leighe, groom of the kitchen to Queen Elizabeth, of the yearly rent of £6 2s. 6d.; 1 close of arable land at Woodfield yate, in Co. Wilts, called the Chauntrie Close, cont. 7½ a., lying in the par. of Downeton, parcel of Barnell's Chantry, of the yearly rent of 13s. 4d.; 2 acres of land in the par. of Barwicke St. Leonard or St James, in Co. Wilts, called Lampe Acre, in the ten. of Nicholas Bellington, given for the maintenance of a lamp there, of the yearly rent of 20d.; ½ a. of meadow in Seygroves als. Segeres Southmeade, in Co. Wilts, in the ten. of the guardians of the par. of Sutton Benger, in Co. Wilts, given for the maintenance of 1 lamp to burn within the Church of Sutton Benger, of the yearly rent of 20d.; 3 roods of meadow in Langley marshe, in the ten. of the said guardians in Sutton Benger, given for the maintenance of a light called the Rowde Light, of the yearly rent of 10d.; 2 a. of arable land in the common fields within the par. of Orcheston St. Marie, in the ten. of the wardens of the Church there, given for a light to burn before the

high altar within the Church of Orcheston, of the yearly value of 16d. ; also all the messuages, mills, houses, barne, orchards, gardens, lands, commons, glebe lands, wastes, woods, advowsons and free gifts and right of patronage of all the Churches, vicarages, Chapels, tithes of sheaves, grains, hay, wool, etc., and all other tithes whatsoever, waters, fisheries, mines, warrens, rents, fee-farms, annuities, knights fees, wards, marriages, fines, heriots, courts leet, chattels waived, estrays, fairs, markets, tolls, customs, and all advantages and emoluments whatsoever, situate, forthcoming, growing or emerging in or upon any of the above recited premises; also the reversions of all the said premises, dependent or expectant upon any demise or grant for the terms of lives or years or otherwise ; also all the rents and yearly profits reserved upon any demise or grant of the said premises. We also grant to the said Thomas Emerson and William Bennett, that they and their heirs may for ever hold and enjoy within the said premises all, such and the like courts leet, views of frank pledge, lawedaies, assizes, assize of bread, wine and ale, chattels waived, estrays, chattels of felons and fugitives, wards, marriages, etc., etc., and all advantages whatsoever as fully, freely and wholly and in such ample manner as any Abbot or Prior, Abbess or Prioress ever held and enjoyed the same by pretext of any charter or grant heretofore made to them by Us or Our progenitors of the said premises, and in as ample manner as We or Our Ancestors ever held the same : Except nevertheless and always reserving to Us and Our heirs all the residue of the lands and tents. parcel of the said stipend of 1 priest in Ugborroughe of the yearly rent of 18s. : To have, hold and enjoy all the said premises to the said Thomas Emerson and William Bennett and their heirs, to their sole and proper use for ever : To hold of Us and Our heirs as of our Manor of Eastgreenwich, in Co. Kent, by fealty only in free and common socage, and not in chief or by knights' service, paying yearly to Us and Our heirs for the said free Chapel of Fittleton, the barn and close of pasture there, and the tithes of the farm of Hackneston, £3 5s. 0d. ; for the premises in Warminster, lately demised to William Deacon and Joan his wife, and John Manyng, 40s. ; for the profits of fairs and markets in Cerne, 2s. 8d. ; for prem. in Bristol, 9s. ; for prem. called Parkers Landes and prem. in ten. of Edw. Broking and Nic. Dyer, 30s. ; prem. in Backmore, 8s. 6d. ; those in Cookeham and Maidenheathe, 6s. 8d. ; those in Madingley, 21s. 4d. ; those in Paxton, 20s. 8d. ; those in Chichester, 43s. 4d. ; those in Lowthe, 4s. 4d. ; in Saultfleetby haven, 9s. 2d. ; in Keyldby, 16d. ; in Rowghton, 8s. ; in Colby, 2s. ; in Workesope, 42s. 8d. ; in par. of St. Mary without Walls of Southampton and prem. in Hoggelande, 5s. ; in Ugborroughe, £6 2s. 6d. ; in Downeton and in par. of Barwicke in Seigrois, Southmeade, in Langley Marshe, and in par. of Orcheston Blessed Mary, 18s. 10d. ; to be paid into the Receipt of our Exchequer at Westminster at the Feasts of St. Michael and the Annunciation of the B. V. M. every year for ever. The said Thomas Emerson and William Bennett agree to pay to the Provost and Fellows of the College of Eton, in Co. Bucks, 8s. 4d. out of the said premises in Maydenheathe, in the ten. of John Comyn. These Our Letters Patent to be firm, valid and sufficient in the law against Us and Our heirs in all Courts and elsewhere within Our Kingdom of England, notwithstanding any wrong naming or reciting of the said manors, etc., etc., and notwithstanding the non-finding of the office or inquisition of the premises, etc., etc. In witness whereof etc. Witness Ourself at Westminster, 26 Oct. By Writ of Privy Seal.

7 Jas. I., p. 12. The King to all, etc. Know ye that We, in consideration of the good and faithful service rendered to Us by John Viscount Hadington, and at the humble petition of the said Viscount, of Our special grace have granted and by these presents do grant to Thomas Emerson, Esq., and Richard Cowdall, gent., and their heirs for ever, all that Our borough of Malmesburye, in Co. Wilts, with the rights, members and appurts. ; and all those burgages, messuages, meadows, feedings, pastures, rents and hereditamts. in the said county called the borough of Malmesbury, of the yearly value, the mill being therefrom deducted, of £48 17s. 9½d., late parcel of the poss. of the late Monastery of Malmesbury ; the manor and borough of Wareham, in Co. Dorset, of the yearly value together with the perquisities of the court there in common years, £10 2s. 8½d., late parcel of the jointure of Katherine, late Queen of England ; the manor of Cartemeale, in Co. Lanc. ; the site of the said manor with an orchard, garden and park containing 4 a. of pasture, 40 a. of arable land, and 18 a. of meadow ; all those lands called Overparke, cont. 14 a. ; Lower Parke, cont. 16 a., Grayshawe, cont. 11 a., and Hepehowe, cont. 3 a., sometime in the ten. of Thomas Thorneboroughe ; the house called Frith Hall, in Cartemeale ; the land thereto adjoining called the Fryth, now or late in the occupation of Christopher Preston ; the lands and tents. called Brackrige, parcel of the demesne lands of the late Priory or Monastery of Cartemeale ; all which said premises in Cartemeale are of the yearly value together with perquisites of court and 22s. 8d. of the increment of rent, £52 12s 8d. ; late parcel of the lands and poss. exchanged with King Hen. 8 by Thos. Holcrofte, Knt., and before that parcel of the late Priory of Cartemeale ; the manor of Beisbie, in Co. Lincoln : the close in Hagnaby in Co. Linc., cont. about 6 a. ; 4 a. of land in Maltby, in Co. Linc., in the ten. of Ric. Heathe, gent. ; which said premises in Beisbie, Hagnabye and Maltby are of the yearly value of £14, late parcel of the poss. of Edward Lord Clinton exchanged, and before that the poss. of the Abbey of Hagnabie ; the manor of Bentley, in Co. York, of the yearly rent of £31 2s. 11d., late parcel of poss. of Robert, Earl of Leicester, exchanged ; the capital messuage or grange of Greate Broughton and Greenehaughe in Cleveland, in Co. York, of the yearly rent of £20 ; sometime parcel of poss. of Robert Bowes, Esq., exchanged, and before that of Michael Tempest, attainted ; the manor or capital messuage of Grindon, in Co. Durham, late parcel of the poss. of Robert Bowes, Esq., exchanged ; the manors of Barnes Hamilden and Clowecrofte, in Co. Durham, late of the said Robert Bowes, exchanged ; also the advowsons, free gifts, presentations and right of patronage of all the rectories, Churches, vicarages and Chapels whatsoever of all the said premises ; also all the messuages, houses, buildings, barns, gardens, lands, glebe lands, woods, trees, tithes great and small, waters, fisheries, warrens, mines, rents and services, knights fees, wards, marriages, etc., etc., etc., markets, fairs, tolls, franchises, privileges, advantages, and emoluments whatsoever lying, being, growing and emerging in and upon all or any of the said premises ; also the reversions of all the said premises, dependent or expectant upon any demise or grant for term of lives or years or otherwise ; all the rents and yearly profits reserved upon any demise or grant of the premises ; also all, such and the like courts leet, views of frank pledge, assize, etc., etc., such as and as fully and freely as the Lady Katherine, late Queen of England, or any Abbott or Prior or the said Robert, Earl of Leicester, or others held the same, and as fully as We or any of Our predecessors held the same : Except and always reserving to Us the water mill in Malmesburye called the Posterne Mill, the house called the Griste Mill Houses, the mill called Wyniardes Mill alias Dikes Mill, 2 meadows on the west part of the said mill cont. 3 a., together with the Fludgates, 2 meadows lying next Holway, which Robert Duke lately held, called longe Meade, cont. 6 a., the meadow called the rounde meade cont. 1½ a., the barn in Malmesbury, situate on the north part of the late Hospital of St. John ; 2 closes of pasture called Lynches, one whereof lies on the west part of the hill called Wyniardes, and the other on the south part of the said hill cont. 5 a. ; the close called Connygarthe, cont. 3 acres, and all fines, issues and amerciaments yearly forthcoming in all court of record except the courts of the said borough of Malmesbury, or before the Justices of assize or peace, or the clerk of the market, and also liberty to levy and collect the same : Also except all fishings and fisheries in 2 rivers in Wareham called the North River and the South River, the closes of land and meadow called Castlehill, the gardens in Wareham granted to Edmund Frost and John Walker and their heirs by Letters Patent, dated 19 Jan., 24 Eliz. [1582] : Also except the yearly rent of 39s. 6d. as part of the tithes or rent reserved from the manors of Sutton, Thursthorpe and Beisbye, to be paid yearly to Us and Our heirs : also except the yearly rent of £8 4s. 4d. for certain lands in Broughton, to be paid to Us yearly ; To have, hold and enjoy all the said premises, except as before excepted, to the said Thomas Emerson and Richard Cowdall and their heirs to their sole and proper use for ever : To hold the said manors of Grindon, Barnes Hamylden and Clowcroftes of Us and Our heirs in chief by knights service, to wit, by the service of the 20th part of a knight's fee ; the borough of Malmesbury and the manor of Cartemeale of Us and Our heirs as of Our honor of Hampton Court, in Co. Midd., by knights service, to wit, by the 100th part of a knight's fee : And to hold all other the said premises of Us and Our heirs as of Our Manor of East greenewich, in Co. Kent, by fealty only in free and common socage and not in chief or by knights servic . And moreover for the full and perfect assurance, extinction and bar of all estate and right in fee tail of the said manor and borough of Wareham belonging to Us by hereditary descent and the reversion and remainder thereof, We are pleased to grant by these presents to the said Thomas Emerson and Richard Cowdall that within 1 year next following a fine shall be levied of the said manor and borough in form following, to wit, the said Thomas and Richard shall acknowledge the said premises to be Our right

as of their gift, and by the same fine We will grant the said premises to the said Thomas and Richard and their heirs for ever: To hold of Us and Our heirs as of Our manor of East Greenwich, in Co. Kent, by fealty, only in free and common socage, and not in capite or by knights service, rendering yearly to Us and Our heirs for the said manor of Grindon £83 7s. 0d.; for the manors of Barnes Hamylden and Clowecrofte, £33 4s. 8d. into the Receipt of Our Exchequer at Westminster, at the Feasts of the Annunciation of the B.V.M. and St. Michael the Archangel yearly for ever We also grant to the said Thomas Emerson and Richard Cowdall all the issues, rents, profits, revenues and arrears of the said borough of Malmesburye, the manor and borough of Wareham, the manors of Cartemeale, Beisbye and Bentley, and of the capital messuage of Great Broughton and Greenehaugh from the Feast of St. Michael last past up to the present time, without rendering any account for the same to Us or Our heirs. And whereas the said manor or capital messuage of Gryndon now stands charged before the Auditor of Our County or Bishopric of Durham at the yearly rent of £109 15s. 8d. per ann., for which said manor the yearly rent of £83 7s. 0d. only is reserved to Us and Our heirs by these presents; and whereas also the manors of Barnes Hamylden and Clowecrofte now stand charged before Our said Auditor at the yearly rent of £180 per ann., for which said manor the yearly rent of £83 4s. 8d. only is reserved to Us: We of Our abundant grace have granted to the said Viscount Haddington, Thomas Emerson and Richard Cowdall that they shall not in any way be disturbed in the enjoyment of the said premises, nor charged with the payment of any sums of money or any recompence to Us because the above recited premises are of greater yearly value than is reserved to Us by these presents. Moreover We have granted to the said Thomas and Richard that We yearly and from time to time will exonerate and acquit them of all carrodies, fees, rents, annuities, pensions, portions, arrereages of rent and sums of money and charges whatsoever issuing out of the premises to be paid to Us, except the rents, services and tenures to Us reserved by these presents. And we strictly charge the Treasurer, Chancellor and Barons of Our Exchequer upon the sole demonstration of these Our Letters Patents to make full allowance and exoneration of all such corrodies, etc. These Our Letters Patent shall be valid and sufficient in the law against Us in all courts as well within the Kingdom of England as elsewhere, notwithstanding wrong naming or reciting of the said manors, etc., and notwithstanding the not finding of inquisitions, etc, etc., etc. The said Thomas Emerson and Richard Cowdall may have these Our Letters Patents made and sealed as well under the great Seal of England and the seal of the County Palatine of Lancaster as under the seal of the Duchy of Lancaster without any writ or warrant from Us. In witness whereof. Witness Ourself at Westminster, 27 Nov. By writ of Privy Seal.

STATE PAPERS DOMESTIC. [ENGLISH.]

Jas. I., Vol. XIV., No. 3. Trustie and Welbeloved wee greete you well. Whereas wee by our letters patents vnder our greate seale of England bearinge date at Westmr. the second daie of Marche last past did give and graute vnto our Welbeloved servante Sir John Ramsey, knight, and Thomas Emerson and their heires in fee farme (amongst other thinges) The Mannor of Swaffham in our Countie of Cambridge of the yearly value of—iij.l. xx.d., late parcell of the possessions of the late Priorie of Swaffham Bulbeck, And also the Mannor of Swaffham Bulbeck, in the Counties of Cambridge and Suff., of the yearly value of xxxiiij.l. v.s. viij.d. pte. whereof was late parcell of the possessions of the Bishopprick of Ely, lately exchaunged and sometimes parcell of the possessions of the said late priorie of Swaffham Bulbeck. The said Maunor of Swaffham to be holden in free socage, And the other Mannor of Swaffham Bulbeck to be houlden in Cheefe as by our said letters patentes appeareth. fforasmuch as wee are informed that the foresaid Mannors and divers other parcells by reason of the imperfection in the Auditors particulars are mistaken and not sufficiently passed according to our gracious meaning in that behalfe, As namely, The said Mannor of Swaffham (at the rent of lxj.s. viij.d. per annu.) is vtterly mistaken ffor that there is noe such Mannor, By meanes whereof all those small ffarmes and Quilettes, And the landes and tenements therewth. all vsed and occupyed supposed to belong to the said pretended Mannor lying in the townes of Cambridge, Bottesham, Burwell, ffulborne, Dullingham and Cowlinch not Named nor mencioned in the said lres. patentes Did not passe to the said Patentees by force of our said lres. patentes, And whereas the scite Capitall Howse and other howses and edifices, Dove howse, Barnes, stables, gardens and orchards being wthin. the Scite and precinct of the home yardes of the said Mannor and late Priorie of Swaffham Bulbeck aforesaid, And cccviij. acr. dimid. of arable land, One libertie and sheepes walke for ccc. sheepe, And also xx.tie acres of meadowe and xvij. acres of pasture rented together by the said particular at xviij.l. xiiij.s. v.d. per annum, All wch. are (by the said particular and lres. patentes) sayd to be in Swaffham Bulbeck aforesaid. Whereas xiiij. acres (parcell of the said Content and number of xx.tie acres of meadowe and xvij. acres of pasture) doe lye inclosed wthin. the foresaid homestalls and enclosures adjoyning to the foresaid Scite and homeyardes, and are wthin. the parish of Swaffham Prior in the said Countie of Cambridge, wch. said towne of Swaffham prior is next adjoining to Swaffham Bulbeck aforesaid. And whereas One Mease place or tenemt. called Lambeholme (Rented by the said particular at £3 6s. 8d. per annum) is by the said lres. patentes menconed to be in the counties of Cambridge and Suff., or either of them, and by the said particuler expressed to be in Swaffham Bulbeck aforesaid, Whereas the said ffarme lyeth in Mildenhall, in the Countie of Suff. And Moreover the landes, tenemts. and sheepes Walke therewth. heretofore used and occupye I were not expressed nor conteyned in the said lres. patentes, And one ffishing in Mildenhall aforesaid Called the Harpe, rented by the said particular at ij.s. viij.d. per annum, is menconed by the said lres. patentes to be in Swaffham Bulbeck aforesaid, Whereas it is in the comon River at Mildenhall, in the Countie of Suff., and thereby it is Manifest that the said landes, tents. and ffishing did not passe to the said Patentees by force of our said lres. patentes. And whereas one Messuage or tenemt. in Ditton Valence alias Woodditton in our said Countie of Cambridge, late in the tenure of Henry Taylor or his assignes, and certain landes, meadowes, feedinges, pastures, Rentes and other proffittes and Comodities are passed by the said lres. patentes. As to the same Messuage or Tenemt belonging or appteyning. Rented by the said particuler at iiij.l. p. annu., Which is vtterly mistaken ffor that the said messuage, landes, meadowes, rentes and premisses are parcell of the Mannor of Ditton Valence, And Whereas One Wood in Ditton Valence aforesaid called Nunnes Wood als. Ditton Wood, conteyning by estimacon xliiij.or acres more or lesse whereof xxx.tie acres are rented by the said particuler at xv.s. p. ann., and the other xiiij.en acres residue are by the same particular rented at vij.s. p. ann., wch. maketh a shewe as if they were two severall thinges And yet is but one entier wood and parcell of the said Mannor of Ditton Valence. And whereas also One water mill in Swaffham Bulbeck aforesaid, and three Closes of Meadowe and pasture Whereof One Close Conteyneth by estimacon halfe an acre wch. is a Tofte called Walter Halters, Whereupon a house was sometimes builded, And one Meadowe called Mill Meadowe, Cont. by estimacon ffower acres, And the third pece is Meadowe grounde, Cont. by estimacon one acre, And the Tenemt. and Crofte demised wth. the said Watermill cont. by est. one acre wch. hath bene heretofore two severall tents. and Croftes, The one called the Covent howse and Crofte, and the other a howse and a Crofte wherein the ffarmors of the said Watermill did heretofore moste Comonly dwell Rented all together at lxvj.s. viij.d. p. annu, Whereby it Manifestly appeareth that the said thinges were mistaken in our said lres. patentes. By reason of which defectes and imperfections the said Patentees can not receive the full benefitt of the premisses intended to have been conveyed to them by force of our said lres. patentes, And Wee being further informed that the said Priorie of Swaffham Bulbeck wth. the members and the parsonage of Swaffham B. aforesaid, late belonging to the said Priorie were founde by the greate Inquisicon made in 26 H. viij., to be but of the Clere yearly value of xl.li. over and above the reprises, As by the recordes of the values of all the spirituall livinges remayning in Our Exchequer wth. the Remembrauncer of the office of ffirst fruits and tenthes maie appeare, And that the said parsonage of S. B. is nowe parcell of the possessions of the Bishopprick of Ely, reserved by the Lo: B. of Ely in the last exchaunge, And that there is noe further Charge wth. the Auditor of anie thinge belonging to the said late priorie, but only the said yearly rent of xxxvij.li. vij.s. iiij.d. reserved in and by our said lres. patentes, Wee are therefore graciously pleased in respect of the said imperfections and the small value of the said Priorie to accept of a surrender of our sayd letters patentes as to the said possession of the said late priorie from the said Sir John Ramsey and Thomas Emerson, And our will and pleasure is that you doe fourth wth. drawe as well the said surrender as alsoe a new graunte to passe vnder our signature (at the humble suite of the said Sir John Ramsey, and in Consideracon of his faithfull service done vnto us) of the said late Priorie of Swaffham Bulbeck and of all Mannors, landes, tentes. and hereditamtes. thereunto belonging wthin. our severall Counties of Cam-

bridge and Suff. (wth. the alteracons, addicons. and amendementes. aforesaid), to our Welbeloved Subjectes John Walter, Esquier, and Richard Locksmith, gent., and their heires in ffee ffarme reserving to us, our heires and successors the foresaid yearly rent of xxxvij.l. vij.s. iiij.d. reserved in and by our said lres. patentes, which is all the rent that is nowe answered vnto vs for the same, and more than hath been answered to any of our predecessors or progenitors for the same, And the said Priorie and other the premisses to be houlden of vs our heires and successors in free and common socage as of our Mannor of Easte greenwich in our countie of Kent, And the same lres. patentes subscribed wth. our hande to send vnto vs to passe vnder our signature and seales at our pleasure, And these our lres. signed wth. our signe manuall shall be a sufficient Warrant and discharge in that behalfe. Given, etc. I have viewed this draught, and do fynde it (for any thinge that appears to me) to be just and true, and no prejudice to his matie. to be granted, seing his matie. hath more reserved by this booke than ever was answered before for the possessions of the said priorie to his matie. as by the auditors particular appeareth. Edw. Coke. Sir Francis Lake to ingros this booke for the Kinge's signature, 7 May, 1605. J. Dorset. [Endorsed.] For Sir Jo. Ramsey. To Mr. Attorney generall for passing of Swafham, etc.

Jas. I., Vol. XIX., No. 49. James, etc. Whereas by our former warrent to you, directed vnder our greate seale of England, we have signifyed our pleasure for payment of the somme of xv.li. to our servant Sr. James Sandilande, knight, one of the gentlemen vshers of our privy Chamber, to be taken as of our free giftes out of such monies as should be forfaited to vs by anie recusantes for not repairing to the Church according to the lawes of this realme vpon wch. our warrant and grant ther hath not hitherto bene anie thing payd vnto him for some causes knowen to us, And now the sayd Sr. James Sandilandes hath made humble suite to Us to pay the somme of 300 poundes of the seid 1500li. to Thomas Emerson, one of his Creditors, which we are pleased to doe. These are therefore to will and comand you out of our treasure in the receipt of our Exchequer to pay or cause to be paid to the seyd Thomas Emerson the seid somme of 300li. as parcell of the somme of xv.li. by us intended to the seyd Sir James Sandilandes. And these our letters, etc. [Endorsed] Sr. James Sandilandes, xvj.te, Martii, 1605. Wart. for 300li.

PATENT ROLL.

7 Chas. I., part 31, No. 25. The King to all, etc. Know ye that We, of Our special and for 53s. and 4d., have given licence for Us and Our heirs to Our Beloved Thomas Emerson, esq., and Mary his wife, that they may give and assign the moiety of 3 messuages, 1 cottage, 120 a. of land, 20 a. of meadow, 100 a. of pasture and 3 a. of wood in Neenesavage and Wabtowne, in Co. Shropshire, and the moiety of 3 mess., 12 cottages, 100 a. of land, 10 a. of meadow, 100 a. of pasture, 1 a. of wood and 2d. of rent in Cleoburye Mortimer, Cleoburye Barnes and Hopton Wafre als. Wafrey, in the sd. Co., which are held of Us in chief to Richard Manninge, esq., and Edward Manninge, gent. : to hold to them and their heirs for ever of Us and Our heirs by the services thereof due and of right accustomed. And to the sd. Ric. and Edward that they may receive the sd. premises from the sd. Thos. and Mary, and hold the same to them and their heirs from Us and Our heirs for ever. Witness Ourself at Westminster, 1 April. No mention of heirs of Thomas E. and Mary ux.—P. H. E.

Inquisitions P. M.

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1 Mary, Part 1, No. 49. Inquisition taken at Bishop Hatfield, in Co. Herts, 4 Jan. 1 Mary [1554], before John Brocket and others, after the death of William Emerson, by the oath of Thomas Kent, James Chaumber, etc., etc., jurors, who say that William Emerson, long before his death, was seised of 1 manor, 20 a. of land, 60 a. of pasture, 5 a. of meadow, 20 a. of wood and 2s. 4d. of rent called Doos in the par. of Stondon, in Co. Herts; 6 a. of meadow called Rothwell Meadowe there: 50 a. of pasture there called Slowfeld and Pondecrofte; 2 tenements and 10 a. of land there called Rydgewyns and Ramseis; also of 1 other tenement in Stondon Street, in his demesne as of fee. And so seised, the said William took to wife Mary Nuce, dau. of Thos. Nuce, gent., and they had issue Richard Emerson. By charter, dated 9 Feb., 25 Hen. 8 [1534], the said Wm. Emerson granted all the said premises to Thomas Hennage, Knt., John Hennage, Edward Leventhorp, Will. Barlee, Esq., Thomas Nuce, gent., and John Perrot, clerk, for ever, to the use of the sd. William E. and Mary his wife for their lives; after their decease, to the use of their heirs; and for def., to the use of the right heirs of the said William for ever. The said premises called Doos are held of the Queen in chief by knights service, and are worth per ann., clear, 10s. 8d. 1¼ a. parcel of the sd. 6 a. called Rothwell Meadowe are held of Ralph Sadler, Knt., as of his manor of Stondon by copy of court roll, and by the yearly rent of 8s., and the other 4¾ acres are held of the said Ralph by fealty only, and are worth, per ann., clear, 16s. 8d. The premises called Slowfeld and Pondecrofte are held of the manor of Meltley by the service of 4s. 10d. per ann., and are worth per ann., 63s. 4d. The premises called Ridgewyns and Ramseis are held of the sd. Ralph Sadler as of his said Manor of Stondon by the service of 4s. per ann., and are worth per ann., clear, 30s. 8d. The tent. in Stondon Street is held of the manor of Sootes by the service 2s. 4d. per ann., and is worth per ann., clear, 10s. William Emerson died 22nd Feb., 25 Hen. 8 [1534]; the said Richard Emerson is his son and next heir, and was aged 21 years on the last day of October last past. The said Mary Emerson died 29 Aug., 34 Hen. 8 [1542]; she took the profits of all the said premises until her death. Will. Vance (?) occupied all the said premises after the death of the said Mary by virtue of an indenture to him made by King Hen. 8, dated 24 Nov., in the 35th year of his reign, with the assent of the Master and Council of the Court of Wards and Liveries.

5 Eliz., part 1, n. 76. Inqn. taken at Ware, in Co. Herts, 15 Dec., 5 Eliz. [1562], before Edw. Bushe and others, after the death of Richard Emerson, gent., by the oath of Thomas Warde, of Hunsden, etc., etc., jurors, who say that Richard Emerson was seised in his demesne as of fee of the manor, 20 a. of land, etc., called Doos, in Stondon, etc., etc., [lands, etc., exactly as in the above Inq. on Will. E.] So seised, the said Richard E. made his will, 23 Oct., 1562 [here given in English]. I give to Simon Carter an annuity of £5, issuing out of my lands in Stondon. My exors. to hold all my lands until this my will be performed; they to make a lease thereof to John Westwoodd and Agnes his wife for 41 years. My exors. to "sewe" out my heirs livery at my costs, and shall pay to my heir, James Hennage, out of my said lands, £6 13s. 4d. yearly. My exors. to take the profits of the sale of the wood in Dowces Wood. As to my house and tents. in London, in Trinity Gate without Aldriche Gate: I devise 1 tent. in the tenure of Crossell the tailor, to Will. Swayne, my Aunt's daughter's son, and to his heirs for ever. As to the other 2 tents., 1 whereof is used as a coalhouse and the other is in the tenure of Mother Jeninges, together with the house wherein I now dwell, I give to my exors. to sell to such of my kinsmen as will give what I paid for them. If I lie long ill and ask old Mrs. Glascocke to forsake her dwelling in the country and to stop with me in London, then she shall have part of my sd. house to dwell in during her life without paying any rent. [All the sd. premises are held as in the previous Inqn.] Ric. E. died 28 Oct., 4 Eliz. [1562]; James Hennage is his kinsman and next heir, to wit, son and h. of Will. Hennage and Alice his wife, sister of Will. Emerson, father of the sd. Ric., and is now aged 28 years and more.

25 Eliz., p. 1, n. 118. [In the calendar the name is given as John Emotson, alias Emerson.] Inqn. taken at Boston, in Co. Lincoln, 10 Sept., 25 Eliz. [1583], before Will. Pistor, esq., escheator, after the death of John Emotson, late of Gunbie, in Co. Linc., yeoman, by the oath of Francis Robtson, etc., etc., jurors, who say that John Emotson was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 mess., 40 a. of land, 16 a. of meadow, 10 a. of pasture and 2 a. of wood in Gunbie, Stepinge Magna, Bratofte and Waineflette All Saints, in Co. Linc., late of Anthony Gunbye, gent.; 1 mess., 80 a. of land and 20 a. of pasture in Gunbie, Candlesbie and Orbie, in sd. Co., late of Rob. Whitinge; 2 tents. and 25 a. of pasture in Crofte and Boroughe; 12½ a. of pasture in Crofte and all those rents and services issuing out of the lands of John Pellson and the heirs of —— Lynley, in Brughe, late of the Vavasors; 3 a. of pasture in Brughe, in a place there called Collegarthes; 2 a. of pasture there lying in Brandon Close; 1 a. and 1 r. of pasture there called Mokeland;

3 parcel of marsh or moss in Wainefiete St. Mary; 22 a. of pasture in Brughe called Pyncrakes land; the reversion of 2 mess. and of other lands, etc., in Firsbye; of 1 other mess. with toft and of other lands in Friskeney, late of John Cutte; of 1 barn and lands in the occupation of Ric. Bonner; and of 1 other mess. and 9 a. of pasture in Brughe, late in the occ. of Jas. Turtle: all which sd. premises Alice Emotson, stepmother (noverca) of the sd. John, holds for life, with reversion to him and his heirs. So seised, the sd. John made his will, 29 May, 1583 [here given in English]. I give to Leonard Palmer 1 close in Brughe cont. 3 a., to him and his heirs for ever. If my wife have a son, I give to him an annuity of £8 out of my lands in Crofte. To Alice Emotson, my mother-in-law, 3 a. of pasture in Collegarthes in Brugh for her life. Mary my wife to have the profits of all my lands, except those above bequeathed, during the minority of my child or children. Edw. Sawer and Isabel his wife to have the cottage wherein they now dwell in Crofte. To Michael Emotson, my brother, an annuity of £3 6s. 8d., to be taken out of Goodricke lands in Brughe. The said premises in Gunbye, etc., late of Anth. Gunbie, are held of Thos. Massingbearde as of his manor of Bratofte, by the yearly rent of 4s., and by knights service, to wit, by half a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £3. The prem. in Gunbie, Candlesbie and Orbie are held of the sd. Thos. as of his sd. manor by the yearly rent of 5s. 4d., and by knights service, and are worth per ann., clear, 40s. The 2 tents., etc., in Crofte and Brughe are held of Edw., Earl of Lincoln, as of his Castle of Folkingham, and are worth per ann., clear, £5. The premises late Vavasors are held of Valentine Browne, Knt., as of his manor of Crofte by suit at court, and are worth per ann., clear, 2s. 4d. The 3 a. of pasture in Collegarthes, in Brughe, are held of Lord Willowghbye as of his manor of Orbie, by yearly rent of 8d., and are worth, per ann., clear, 5s. The prem. called Mokelande are held of Thomas Wheler, esq., as of his manor of Hermitage in Brughe, by yearly rent of 15¼d., and are worth per ann., clear, 2s. The prem. called Pinerakelandes are held of Thos. Massingbearde as of his sd. manor by knights service, and are worth per ann., clear, 40s. 8d. The prem. in Firsbye are held of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich, in Co. Kent, by fealty only in free socage, and are worth per ann., clear, £3. The prem. in Fryskney, late of John Cutte, are held of the sd. Val. Browne, Knt., as of his manor of Fryskney, by yearly rent of 10s., and are worth per ann., clear, 20s. The barn, etc., there are held of Rob. Mounson, esq., as of his manor of Fryskney, and are w. p. ann., clear, 13s. 4d. The prem. in Brughe, late in occ. of Jas. Turtle, are held of the lord of the manor of Candlesbie by the yearly rent of 9½, and are worth per ann., 26s. 8d. John Emotson d. 5 June last past; Thos. E. is his son and next heir, and is now aged 1 year and more.

Eliz., Bdle. I., n. 547. Inqn. taken at Selby, in Co. York, 18 Nov., 26 Eliz. [1583], before Christr. Nealeson, esq., dep. of Ralph Rokeby, esq., escheator, by virtue of his office, after the death of John Emerson, late of Howden, by the oath of Thos. Allen, gent., etc., etc., jurors, who say that John Emerson was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 cap. mess., with all the buildings thereupon erected, 1 orchard, 1 garden, 5 cottages, 80 a. of land, arable, meadow and pasture, and common of pasture in the ville, fields and territories of Howdon, Beylbye, Thorpe and Bawcheham, in Co. York: all which sd. prem. are held of Ric. Archbishop [*sic*] of Durham, by knights service, as of his manor of Howden, suit at the court of the sd. manor and by the yearly rent of 36s. 8d., and are worth per ann., clear, £3 6s. 8d. John Emerson d. about ——, 25 Eliz.; John E. is his son and next heir, and was then aged 3 months and more.

8 Jas. I., p. 1, n. 5. Inqn. taken at Boston, 2 April, 8 Jas. I. [1610], before John Anderson, esq., escheator, and others, by virtue of a writ "de melius inquirend;" after the death of John Emerson, gent., by the oath of John Mell, of Kirton, etc., etc., jurors, who say that none of the lands, etc., mentioned in the said Inq. [this refers, I think, to the above Inqn. of John Emotson als. Emerson, Linc., 25 Eliz., p. 1, n. 118] are held of the King that now is, neither were they held of Queen Eliz. at the death of the sd. John, but were held as stated in the sd. Inqn.

9 Jas. I., n. 44. Inqn. taken at Barton Regis, next Bristol, 30 May, 8 Jas. I. [1610], before Adam Baynebam, esq., escheator, by virtue of his Office, after the death of Ric. Emerson, by the oath of Rob. Hoskins, etc., etc., jurors, who say that the sd. Ric. was not seised of any lands or tenements in fee simple or tail, demesne, service, reversion, use or right on the day of his death, held of the King or others. The said Richard died about the 7th day of December, 1602; Andrew Emerson is his son and heir, and was then aged about 7 years.

16 Jas. I., p. 2, n. 86. Inqn. taken at Horncastle, 7 August, 16 Jas. I. [1618], before Anthony Holland, esq., escheator, after the death of Thos. Emotson, gent., late of Gunby, in Co. Linc. [in the writ he is spoken of as Thos. Emotson alias Emerson], by the oath of Christr. Roodes, of Scambelsby, etc., etc., jurors, who say that Thos. Emotson was seised of 1 mess, 30 a. of land and 20 a. of pasture in Gunby, Candlesby and Orby, sometime of Rob. Whittinge, etc., etc. [the premises are almost word for word like those named in the inq. of John Emotson als. Emerson, Linc., 25 Eliz., p. 1, n. 118]. The sd. Thos. died at Gunby, 19 May, 16 Jas. I. [1618]; Will E. is his son and heir apparent, and was then aged 8 years and more.

7 Chas I., p. 1, n. 95. Inqn. taken at Wragby in Co. Linc., 1 June, 7 Chas. I. [1631], before John Julyan, gent., escheator, after the death of Alexander Emerson, senior, late of Glamford Brigge, in the sd. Co., gent., by the oath of Christr. Thompson, of Benningworth, gent., etc., etc., jurors, who say that Alexander E. was seised in his demesne, as of fee of 3 messuages, 3 gardens, 1 orchard, 40 a. of land, 20 a. of meadow, 40 a. of pasture and 200 a. of salt marsh in Fulstow and Marsh Chapell in the sd. Co. So seised, the sd. Alexr, by charter dated 18 Sept., 2 Chas. I. [1626], granted all the sd. premises to Jas. Tenny, gent., and Will Metcalfe, gent., to the use of the sd. Alexander E., senior, for his life; after his decease, to the use of Anne, his younger dau., for her life; after her decease, to the use of Alexr. E., junior, gent., then of Serby, now of Glamford Brigges, and his heirs for ever. Before the death of the sd. Alexr., Will Havercroft, the father, and Will H., the son, were seised in their demesne as of fee of 1 mess., 3 cottages, 10 a. of land, 22 a. of meadow and 44 a. of pasture in Adlingfleet, in Co. York, the moiety of the 4th part of the manor of Adlingfleet, and of the moiety of the moor there called the Lord's moor. So seised, they, by charter dated 5 March, 2 Chas. I. [1627], sold all the sd. premises to Christr. Harrison and Francis Clarke, to the use of the sd. Alexr. E., senior, and Anne, then his wife, for their lives; after their decease, to the use of Anne, their younger dau., and her heirs; for default, to the use of the sd. Alexr. E., junior, and Eliz. his wife, elder dau. of the sd. Alexr. E., senior, and Anne and their heirs for ever. Will. Greene, gent., and Eliz. his wife, were seised in their demesne as of fee of 1 mess., 1 cottage, 1 garden, 1 orchard, 1 a. of land and 1 close of pasture called the little Mill Close in Adlingfleet, and Ric. Percy and Katherine his wife were likewise seised of 1 close of pasture called the Middle Maynes, in Adlingfleet. So seised, a fine was levied at Westminster 3 weeks from Easter, between the sd. Alexr. E., senior, and Anne his wife, Anne E., d. of sd. Alexr. and Anne, and Alexr. E., junior, and Eliz. his wife, plts., and the sd. Will. Greene and Eliz. his wife, and Ric. Percy and Katherine his wife, deforciants, whereby the latter acknowledged the sd. prem. to be the right of the former, and the same remised to them and their heirs for ever: which sd. fine was levied to the use of the sd. Alexr., senior, and Anne his wife for their lives; after their decease, to the use of Anne, their dau., and her heirs; and for def., to the use of the sd. Alexr., junior, and Eliz. his wife, and their heirs for ever. The sd. Alexr., senior, was likewise seised of 1 close of pasture called Savercroft, in Adlingfleet, which he purchased of Gerard Drewly, and so seised by charter, dated 4 Feb., 4 Chas. I. [1629], granted the same to Will. Havercroft, gent., and Thos. Harrison, to the uses as above. The sd. Alexr., senior, was likewise seised of the Manor of Ulceby, and of 1 mess., 2 cott., 2 gardens, 2 orchards, 240 a. of land, 32 a. of meadow, 50 a. of pasture and 6s. 8d. rent in Ulceby and Kirnington, in Co. Linc., and of 2 mess., 7 cott., etc., etc., in Caster, in the sd. Co., which he purchased of Anth. Scupholme, ser., and Anth. S., the son; also of 1 mess., 9 cott., etc., etc., in Caster, which he purchased of Vincent Patricke, gent., Simon P, gent., Edw. P., gent., and Wm. Trowsdale, esq.; and so seised, the sd. Alexr., by charter dated 18 Sept., 2 Chas. I. [1626], in consideration of a marriage bet. the sd. Alexr., junior, and the sd. Eliz., eldest d. of the sd. Alexr., senior, gave the sd. premises to Thos. Marshall and Rob. Legerd, gents., to hold to the use of the sd. Alexr., senior, for life, and after his decease, to hold the sd. manor of Ulceby and the sd. pre. in Ulceby and Kirnington to the use of the sd. Alexr., junior, and Eliz. and their heirs for ever, and the sd. prem. in Caster to the sole use of the sd. Alexr., junior, and his heirs for ever. The said marr. was solemnized 3 Oct., in the sd. 2nd year Chas. I. Alexr. E., senior, was likewise seised of 50 a. of land, 18 a. of meadow and 5 a. of pasture in Goxhill, in Co. Linc., and the moiety of the rectory of Goxhill, purchased of John Stanhope, then esq., afterwards knt. So seised, by charter dated 18 Jan., 6 Chas. I. [1631], he granted the sd. prem. to the sd. Alex. E., junior, and his heirs for ever. The sd. Alex., sen., was likewise

seised of 1 mess., 1 garden, etc., etc., in Goxhill, purchased of Rob. Hooton, esq., 2 cottages there pur. of Will. and John Beaumont, and 1 mess., 11 cottages, 1 windmill, etc., etc, in Barton-on-Humber, and so seised, by his will, dated 22 Jan., 1630, gave the sd. prem., pur. of Rob. Hooton, to Anne his wife and her heirs for ever, and 1 of the 2 cottages there pur. of Will. Beaumont, to Edward E., son of his deced. bro. George, and to his heirs for ever, and the other of the sd. cottages to Alexr. E. of Retford, in Co. Notts, younger s. of his sd. deced. bro. George, and his heirs for ever, and all the sd. prem. in Barton-on-Humber to the sd. Alexr., junr., his son-in-law. The sd. prem. in Fulstow and Marsh Chappell are held of John Hatcher, Knt., as of his manor of Fulstow, in free and common socage, by fealty, suit at court and certain yearly rents, and are worth per ann., clear, £5. The prem. in Adlingfleet and the moiety of the 4th part of sd. manor of Adlingfleet are held of the King as of his manor of Epworth by fealty only, in free and common socage, and are worth per ann., clear, 10s. The prem. in Ulceby and Kirmington are held of Francis Earl of Rutland as of his Castle of Hemsley in free and common socage, by yearly rent of 1s. only, and are worth per ann., clear, £4. The prem. in Caster, pur. of Anth. Scupholme, are held of Edw. Ayscoghe, Knt., as of his manor of Caster, in free and common socage, by fealty, suit at court, and the yearly rent of 8s., and are worth per ann., clear, 20s. The other prem. in Caster are held of sd. Edw. as of his sd. manor in free and common socage, by fealty, suit at court and the yearly rent of 10s., and are worth per ann., clear, 10s. The prem. in Goxhill, pur. of John Stanhope, are held of the King as of his manor of East Greenwich, in Co. Kent, by fealty only, in free and common socage, and are worth per ann., clear, £6 13s. 4d. The prem. there pur. of Rob. Hooton are held of the Queen as of her manor of Goxhill in free and common socage, by fealty and suit at court only, and are worth per ann., clear, 10s. The 2 cottages there are held of Bridget Skynner, widow, as of her manor of Goxhill in free and common socage, by fealty and suit at court only, and are worth per ann., clear, 5s. The prem. in Barton-on-Humber are held of the Queen as of her manor of Barton in free and common socage, by fealty, suit at court twice in the year, and by the yearly rent of 17s. 1d., and are worth per ann., clear, £5. Alexr. E., senior, died at Glamford Brigges 23 Feb. last past; the sd. Eliz., wife of the sd. Alexr., junior, and the sd. Anne E. are his dau. and coheirs: the sd. Eliz. was then aged 21 years and more, and the sd. Anne 13 years, 3 months and more. The sd. Anne, wife of the said Alex., senior, still survives.

38 Eliz., part 7, n. 163. Inqn. taken at Southwark, in Co. Surrey, 4 March, 38 Eliz. [1596], before John Sholburye, gent., dep. of Stephen Slanye, Mayor of London, escheator, after the death of Thomas Emerson, gent., by the oath of John Payne, Henry Dolten, etc., etc., jurors, who say that Thomas Emerson was seised in his demesne as of fee tail of 2 mess. in Southwark, in the several tenures of Peter Beste and Ric. Eston. Anne Robjante was seised in her demesne as of fee of 1 cap. mess., sometime called the "Abbottes Lodgeinge," 1 tent. thereto adjoining, and certain tents. called the Abbottes stable in Southwark, near the King's park, now converted into 29 tents. So seised, the sd. Anne married the sd. Thos. E. on the 20th April, 23 Eliz. [1581], and they had issue Henry E. The sd. Anne died at Southwark 26 Oct., 25 Eliz. [1583]. The sd. Thos. was likewise seised of 25 mess., with gardens lying together within the Axe Gate in the par. of St. Saviour's, Southwark, and so seised, by indenture dated 16 Aug., 36 Eliz. [1594], made between himself of the one part, and Margaret Horneblowe, of the par. of St. Bridget, London, widow, Edward Trussell, citizen and clothworker, of London, Will. Warde, citizen and draper, of London, and Hen. Parkhurst, citizen and grocer of London, of the other part, in consideration of a marriage "by ye grace of god," to be had between him and the said Margaret, agreed that he and his heirs should be seised of the last rented prem. to the use of the sd. Margaret for life, and after her decease to the use of him, the sd. Thos., and his heirs for ever. On the 18th Dec., 37 Eliz. [1594], at Redreffe, in Co. Surrey, the sd. Thos. E. marr. the sd. Margaret Horneblowe. The prem. in Southwark in the tenure of the sd. Peter Best and Ric. Eston, are held of the Queen in free burgage by fealty only, and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, 4 marks. The tents. called the Abbottes Lodgeinge and the Abbottes stable are held of the Queen in free burgage and common socage by fealty only, and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £4. The sd. 25 mess. are held of the Queen by fealty and not in chief, and are worth per ann. £4. Thos. E. died at Southwark, 27 June, 37 Eliz. [1595]: the sd. Henry E. is his son and next heir, and was aged 14 years on the 18th day of February in the sd. 37th year of Eliz.

10 Chas. I. p. 22, n. 150. Inqn. taken at Stokesly, in Co. York, 5 July, 10 Chas. I. [1634], before John Batte, esq., escheator, after the death of Will. Emerson, late of Skelton, by the oath of Joseph Rogers, etc., etc., jurors, who say that Will E. was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 mess., 1 croft and 1 bovate of land, meadow and pasture, in Skelton; 1 bovate of land, meadow and pasture there, purchased of Rowland Wilson and John Havelocke; 1 mess. 1 croft, 1 bovate of land, mea. and pas. there, to the late dissolved monastery of Gisbroughe belonging; 1 mess., 1 close, cont. 1 a. and 2 bovates of land, mea. and pas. there, lately pur. of Janie Westland: 1 mess., 1 toft, 1 croft and 1 bovate of land, mea. and pas. there, lately purchased of Thos. Darcy and Conyers Darcy; 1 rood of pasture lying in a large close called the Mildeltes, within the lordship of Upletham, and pasture for 18 beasts in the said close. All the sd. prem. in Skelton, except those purchased of the Darcys, are held of the King as of his manor of East Greenwich, in Co. Kent, in free socage, and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, 15s. The sd. excepted prem. are held of the King in chief by knights service, and are worth per ann., clear, 4s. The prem. in the sd. pasture called Mildeltes are held of the heirs of the late Lord Conyers as of his manor of Marske by knights service, and are worth per ann., clear, 2s. William E. died 29 Sept. last past; William E. is his son and next heir, and was then aged 34 years.

Escheators inq. P.M. : No Emersons.

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INQUISITIONS AD QUOD DAMNUM.

P. 260, 13 Edw. II. (1320), No. 185. Johannes de Grey pro Johanne Amory, Toulealond. maner. ut de Huntyngdon. honore. Hunting. Eton. maner. (remanet). Buk.

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P. 263, 14 Edw. II., (1321), No. 98. Johes. Amory pro Abbe. de Byley. Maldon Parva maner. et 60 acr. terr. percell. inde in excamb. pro tantis terr. ibm. Peverell honor. Essex.

P. 361, 11 Hen. IV. (1410), No. 51. Willus. Emery de Cantuar. et alii Dederunt balliris et civibus civitatis ibm. quatuor acr. tre cum pertin. in suburb. eiusd., etc. Kanc.

[No entries under Fil. Amerie, Fil. Emerie, etc.]

CALENDARS OF INQNS. P.M. SEARCHED.

Palatinate of Lancaster, Ric. 2 to Eliz. 2: Nil. Duchy of Lancaster: Nil. Q.R. Knights fees } (Rotulus de Dominibus): Nil. Palmer's Index 104, Superseded by Court of Wards and Liveries. [List sent.] Welsh Records, Index to Inqns. Chester and Flint: Nil. Cursitor's Records, Nos. 3, 4, 5: Nil. Cursitor's records, No. 197, Geo. I., II. and III.: Nil. Chancery Inqn. P.M., under fil. Emerie, Amerie, etc., etc.: Nil. 10 Vols. of Escheators' Accounts and Inqns. P.M., Hen. III. to Hen. VIII. All mentioned in Mr. Bird's book, pp. 145—149.

Index Library, London. Inq. P.M., Pts. 57—60, P. 209: John Swingfild. Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 15 Oct., 2 Eliz: [1560], seised of 21 tenements called the Alley, situate in Southwarke . . . . 2 gardens there in the tenure of William Emerson . . . P. 216: John Swingfild. Inq. taken at the Guildhall, 24 Oct. 1 (*sic*) [? 3] Eliz. [1561]. Property at Southwark . . . 2 gardens in tenure of Wm. Emerson. . .

Calendar of Inquisitions Post-Mortem for Middlesex and London, returned into the Court of Chancery, 1 Hen. VII. to 20 Chas. I., 1485—1645. [No Emersons.]

Ancient Deeds.

[Leic.] B. 203. Grant by Richard Amory, of Thorpe, near Barkeby, to his son, John Amory, of the same place, of a messuage and lands in Thorpe aforesaid, and in Hamilton. Wednesday after St. John, ante Portam Latinum, 9 Hen. IV. [1408].

Essex. C. 421. Grant by Henry Wyat, esquire, to George Emereson and Alice, his wife, of all his lands, etc., in Stratford Langthorn, in the parish of Westham, in a place called "Le Lake," adjoining the water called "le Ley," and the land of Robert Gaynesford, called "le Helmes"; also of a messuage and garden, and land called "le Welowe Hoopes," in Stratford, between Charlesbrigge alias (?) Canillesbridge, and the land which lately belonged to the Earl of Salisbury. Appointment of Edward Baynes, attorney to deliver seisin. 1 May, 1 Hen. 8 [1509]. Endorsed: Memorandum of livery of seisin.

[Herts.] B. 2967. Notification by Nicholas, archdeacon of Huntingdon to the clergy of his archdeaconry, that at the presentation of Richard, son of Galo, he had instituted the prior and canons of Assebi as parsons of the church of Puteham (Puttenham). Witnesses:—Adam de Ameri, etc. [A.D. 1155—1184].

C. 1895. Release by Isabel de Amary, late the wife of Wm. Briton, of Teghne, to the brethern of the hospital of the Holy Trinity without Northampton, of all right in the holm of Teghne, which the said brethern have of the gift of Martin de Pateshull, and of the confirmation of her late husband. Witnesses:—Stephen Chaplain, of Torph, Ralph, parson of Boketon, and others (named). No date.

[Berks.] A. 3193. Final concord between Richard, bp. of Winchester, Richard Emson and others, plts., and Wm. Norreys, kt., deforciant whereby the latter acknowledges the manor and advowson of Church of Ramenham, 30 mess., etc., there to be the bishops. . . . Quinzaine of St. Martin and Octave of Hilary, 18 Hen. VII. [1502—3].

[Suff.] A. 3286. Grant by Isabel, dau. of Letitia de Ailintone, to Robt., her son, and Matilda, her dau., of a mess. with a toft and croft in Ailintone, the croft abutting on Rudich way; 2 a. on Ailinton fields, part by "gores" of Robert, s. of Walter, s. of Emma. . . . Witnesses: Sir Roger de Cunintone, vicar, Gerald de Wyldebeuf, Hen. Franceys, and others. No date.

Sussex. B. 1855. Grant by Thomas, Earl of Surrey, to Wm., Bp of Lincoln, Ric. Empson, and Barthw. Reede, knights, and others, of licence to convey to John, abbot of Westminster, the manor of Launsyng (Lancing) and other lands, etc. 16 March, 19 Hen. 7 [1504].

[Herts.] C. 1933. Grant by Ric., s. of Simon, with consent of Agnes, his wife, to Wm., s. of Adam Agnel, of land in Hamelamsted (Hemel Hempstead), which Ralph, s. of Emma, held, and which the said Ric. bought of Gilbert, s. of Wm. Steward. Witnesses: Ralph Chaineduit, Geoffrey de Childewich, and others. Twelfth century. Fragment of seal.

FROM THE PROCEEDINGS OF SOCIETY OF ANTIQUARIES OF NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE. VOL. VII., P.1.

Exhibited by Richard Welford, a member of the Council, four old deeds relating to the transmission of property belonging to a family of Emersons in Newcastle.

"1561—62, March 7. Indenture between John Marley, of Whickham, yeoman, and George Emerson, of Newcastle, yeoman, by which Marley conveys to Emerson for the sum of £32 10s. 0d. a fourth part of a messuage in Whickham, and the land belonging to the same, now or late in the tenure of Alexander Bell, of Blaydon, yeoman, a fourth part of a field adjoining, known as the Flydger field, alias Lyngye field and a fourth part of a [close called Fogge or Whynnye Close] adjoining the said Flydger or Lyngye field, reserving to the Right Hon. John Lumley, knight [Lord Lumley], the coals, lead, iron, etc., in Flydger field, and to the said [John Marley] the seate house wherein the said John Marley doth now dwell, with the fawde and orchard on the backsyde of the said seat house, etc., etc. George Emerson."

"1580, December 1st. Indenture tripartite Hugh Carlell, of Sedgefield, yeoman, and Jennet, his wife, sister and one of the co-heirs of William Bell, son and heir of Alexander Bell, late of Blaydon, yeoman, of the 1st part; John Lawson, of the Streteyate, yeoman, and Elynor, his wife, another sister of the said William Bell, of the 2nd part, and George Emerson, of Newcastle, yeoman, of the 3rd part. Reciting that John Marley, of Whickham, in his lifetime, sold to the said Alexander Bell the full three parts of two closes at Whickham. called the Lyngye, or Flydger field, and the Fogge, or Whynnye close, and to the said George Emerson the fourth part of the same, and that it had been agreed among the several parties to divide the inheritance in the said fields or closes, which descended to Carlell and wife and Lawson and wife after the death of Bell, and to Emerson by purchase. [The Lyngye field being divided into three parts, Carlell and wife were to have the central portion, being one-half the area of the field, Lawson and wife to have the southern part of the same, and the southern part of the Fogge close, which abutted upon "Streteyate Loyning," while Emerson took the northern part of both fields.]"

"1611. November 16. Indenture between Anne Emerson, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, widow, and William Emerson, of the same town, skinner and glover, of the one part, and George Wheatley and Martin Wheatley, of Ravensworth, in the county of Durham, yeoman, on the other part. Witnesseth that whereas the said Anne and William, by their indenture of lease, dated May 4, 8 James I. [1610], demised, etc., and to farm letten to Archenbalde Gibson and Andrew Bucke, of Streateyate, yeomen, all that tenement or farmhold, situate at Streateyate, in the parish of Lamesley, now in the tenure of the said Archenbalde and Andrew, or their assigns, and all buildings, lands, etc., thereto belonging. 'Except alwayes reserved out of the saide Indenture of leasse and demise to the said Anne and Willm., their heires, exors., or assignes, twenty sheape geat, to fead and depasture on the fells of Ravensworth, and to be tended, kept, and preserved by them, the said Archenbalde and Andrewe, their exors. and assignes as their owne sheepe, from tyme to tyme, both sommer and winter. And alsoe, except to them, the said Anne and Willm., their heires, exors. and assignes, the best chamber in the said Tente., to be helde and vsed by them, when to them or any of them it shalbe thought mete, w'th free ingresse, egresse, and regresse to and from the same, by the wayes and passages nowe vsed and accustomed.' To have and to hold, etc., unto the said Archenbalde and Andrew from Pentecost next until the end of twenty-one years, paying therefor yearly to the said Anne and William 3l. at Martinmas and Pentecost by even portions. 'And whereas, alsoe, the said Willm. Emerson is nowe lawfully estated, possessed, and seized to him and his heires of and in one Ten'te w'th th' appurtenances scituate, lying, and being in a streate called fenkc e streate, al's tuthill, w'thin the saide towne of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, nowe in the teanure or occupa'con of Thomas Bullock Boun-tering, of the same streate, of the southe p'te., a howse in th' occupa'con of Anthony Rirkhowse, of the west, vpon the sewer called esleyburn, of the north, and a howse in th' occupa'con of Jane Cheseman, widowe, of the east p'te', etc. 'Nowe this Indenture further witneaseth, That the saide Anne Emerson and Willm. Emerson, in consideration of a mariage late had and solempnized betwene the saide Willm. Emerson on th' one p'te, and Agnes Wheatley, naturall sister of the said George and Martyn on th' other p'ty. And for other good considera'cons them moveing have given, graunted, etc., to the saide George Wheatley and Martyn Wheatley, their heires and assignes for eu'r' all the said farmhold, etc., at Streateyate, etc., and also the tenement in 'finkle' street, Newcastle, etc, To have and to hold, etc., 'to the vse and behoof of the said Willm. Emerson and Agnes, now his wief, for terme of their naturall lives and the longer lyver of them w'thout impeachm't of waste, and after their decease to the vse and behoof of the heires of their two bodies lawfully to be begotten,' etc. And this Indenture further witnesseth that the said Anne and William have assigned, etc., and in their stead and place have put their well beloved in Christ, Thomas Bullock, of Newcastle, skinner and glover, and Thomas Gascoigne, of the same town, scrivener, their lawful attorneys to enter into possession of the said premises, and after seizin and possession to deliver the same to the said George and Martin Wheatley according to the tenor of these presents, etc. Anne Emerson [seal]. Willame Emersonne [seal]."

"To all Christian people to whom these presents indented shall come, Wee, John Pye, of Morpeth, in the county of Northumberland, gentleman, George Lambe, of the Towne and County of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, merchant, Humfrey Boldron, of the same, Skynner and Glover, and John Stranger, of the same, ffeltmaker, doe send greeting in our Lord God everlasting. Whereas diverse suits and controversies are likely to arrise betweene Bridgett Emerson, of Newcastle, widdow, late wife and executrix of William Emerson, Skynner and Glover, deceased, on the behalf of herself and Henry Emerson, her son, Sonn and heire of the said William Emerson, deceased, on the one part, And John Aire, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Mylner, and Barbara, his wife, daughter of the said William Emerson, deceased, on the other part, Concerning the last will and Testament of the said William Emerson, deceased, and his Lands and Estate whereof he dyed possest, Now for the preventing of the said suits and controversies and all costs and troubles wch. might happen thereupon, And for the settling of the

Estate and parties aforesaid in love and quietnesse, They, the said parties, have mutually referred, submitted, and bound themselves to stand to the Award, Arbiterment, Order, Decree and Judgement of vs, the said Arbitrators, and wee, having taken vpon vs the burthen thereof, and deliberately heard the Alligations of both parties, and seene and perused their writeings, and duely considered thereof, have ordered and determyned as followeth: that is to saie, Item, wee doe hereby Order, Judge, Determyne and Award, That the whole Lands, Grounds and Tenements whereof the said William Emerson dyed possest or wch. belonged to his Ancestors, scituate att or nere the streetyate, in the County of Durham, consisting of the Seathowse, The Lingey feild and ffogger Close, and other the appurtenances now in occupation of Henry Sotherin, of fielsyde, with his Tenants or assignes, Together with all profits and benefitts by wayleaves, Mynes of Cole, or otherwise howsoever, shall be from henceforth held, vsed, and enjoyed equally betwixt the said Henry Emerson and the said Barbara, wife of the said John Aire, and their respective heires and assignes for ever, Item, we doe also hereby Order, Judge, Determyne and Award, That the Lands, grounds and Tenements whereof the said William Emerson dyed possest, or wch. belonged to his Ancestors, scituate in or nere the Townshipp and territories of Whickham, in the said County of Durham, consisting of the freehold Land called the Dockenhale and the copyhold Land called [blank], with the appurtenances, now in the occupation of James Harrison, of Whickham, and of Ellinor Bewick, William Huntley, Henry Eden, and others, Togeither with all profitts and benefittes by wayleaves, workeings of Colyery or reservations of money or Rents or otherwise howsoever, shall be from henceforth held, vsed and enjoyed equally betwixt the said Henry Emerson and Barbara Aire, and their respective heires and assignes for ever, And that both these sen'all Lands and ground at Streetyate and Whickham shall be joyntly letten and demised by the said Henry Emerson and Barbara Aire and their assignes, and the profitts thereof arriseing to be equally receyved and enjoyed betwixt them, and not otherwise. Item, wee doe likewise Order, Judge, Determyne and Award, That Bridgett Emerson, the widdow, shall enjoy and hould the Seatehowse in Newcastle, wherein the said William dwelt, Togeither wth. the garth and appurtenances thereto belonging, now in possession of the said Bridget, dureing her life naturall, in lieu of her Thirds, or widdowright, And that she, the said Bridgett, shall also have and enjoy the howse and Shopp vpon the Tyne bridge, wch. is held by Lease, of the Towne of Newcastle, And all other Goods and Chattels, Debts and Creditts, by vertue of the Executorshipp of her said late husband, William Emerson, deceased, his will, And in case the said Henry Emerson, her sonn, dy and depart this life without issue of his body, leaving alive the said Bridgett Emerson, his mother, Then wee, the said Arbitrators, doe Order and Provide by these presents, That the said Bridgett shoul' have and enjoy such widdowright, or Thirds of and in those Lands and Colyeries at Whickham onely, as other widdows in the like kinde ought to enjoy, and wch. the law will allow her, and the rest to fall to the said Barbara, wife of the said John Aire, and her heires for ever, Any thing above said to the contrary, notwithstanding. And, moreover, wee doe hereby Order, Judge, Determyne and Award, That the said Bridgett Emerson shall give true copies to John Aire and Barbara, his wife, of all writeings and evidences she now hath or shall have in her possession concerneing the Lands and grounds above mentioned, or any of them, And John and Barbara to do the like to Bridgett for what writeings they either now have, or hereafter shall have, And both parties, upon either's request to the other, shall bring forth and shew the Originall writeings upon just occasion for defence of that partie or parties' right, title and clayme in and to the same. And if any ambeguyty, doubt or question shall at any tyme hereafter arrise or grow by and betwixt the said parties, or any of them touching and concerneing the premisses, It shall be referred to the Award, Order and explanation of vs, the said Arbitrators, or the Major part of vs then liveing. In Witnesse whereof, wee, the said Arbitrators, have to this, our present Award, interchangably sett our hands and seales the ffowrteenth day of June, Anno Regni Regis Caroli Angl,, etc., vicesimo primo Annog. Dni, 1645. "John Pye. George Lambe. Humphrey Boulron. George Stranger."

Royalist Composition Papers.

EXTRACT FROM CALENDAR OF THE COMMITTEE FOR COMPOUNDING.

Claimants on the estate of Richard Emerson, late of Ludwell, Co. Durham. 17 November, 1652. Elizabeth Emerson, his widow, and Robert, his son, petition that their husband and father, Rich. Emerson, bought of John Emerson, Spartaley in Weardale, and enjoyed it till 1644, when ½ was sequestered for recusancy of Elizabeth and ½ for recusancy and delinquency of Robert. A year ago George Emerson, who pretends a title to it, seized it, and leased it to Ralph Emerson, who procured a verdict of ejection last assizes. Beg stay of proceedings till the case is determined.

30 Nov., 1652. George Emerson, of St. Nicholas Olaves, Bread Street, London, petitions for discharge of sequestration of ½ of said estate, and for its delivery to him. Claims it as heir to George Emerson, his grandfather, his father John Emerson, dying in the lifetime of George. [Numerous other papers relating to same people.] Vol. 84, pp. 287 & 299.

22 Feb., 1654. Chris. Emerson, of Eastgate-in-Weardale, petitions that Richard [Neyle], Bishop of Durham, 8 Charles, granted to him in trust for Rich. Emerson and his children the keepership of Stanhope Park; Richard died leaving an only [surviving] child Katherine, in 1653, released to petitioner, but ½ is sequestered for recusancy of his mother Eliz., who is now dead. Vol. 84, p. 284.

31 October, 1654. Christopher Emerson complains of disturbance on pretence of his land, in Sutton Marsh, belonging to the Duke of Richmond and Gordon.

CALENDAR OF COMMITTEE FOR ADVANCE OF MONEY.

19 June, 1650. Information that Alex. Emerson, of Castor, Co. Lincoln, furnished 2 horses and arms in the siege against Hull, and helped the King with money, etc.

18 March, 1650. List of persons in Co. Durham, who owe moneys to one Hall, a delinquent . . . . . 1650. Leonard Emerson, £200. . . . .

Vol. G. 121, Nos. 89, 113. Duke of Richmond and Lennox . . . 31 Jan., 1655. Tenants to Commonwealth complain of this order, and beg certain money allowance . . . to Emerson and others, who pretended to be landlords in the infancy of the sequestration. . . .

Vol. G. 84, No. 279. 31 Oct., 1654. Chris. Emerson complains of disturbance on pretence of his land [in Sutton Marsh] . . .

17 Nov., 1652. Claimants on estate of Richd. Emerson (late) Ludwell, Co. Durham, Elizabeth his widow, and Robert his son.

Vol. G. 84, No. 290. Petn. of Elizabeth and Robt. Emerson:—Richd. Emerson bought of Jno. Emerson Spartaley in Weardale, and enjoyed it till 1644, when ½ was sequestd. for recusancy of Elizath. and ½ for Robt.; seized a year ago by Geo. Emerson, who leased it to Ralph Emerson.

Vol. G. 17, No. 412. Geo. Emerson to be summoned. 17 Nov., 1652.

Vol. G. 84, 287, No. 299. Geo. Emerson, of S. Nicholas Olaves, Bread St., Petns. for discharge of sequestn. of ½ of sd. estate; claims it as heir to Geo. Emerson, his grandfather, his father Jno. E. dying in lifetime of Geo.

Vol. G. 23, No. 1643. Geo. Emerson's claim allowed 7 Nov. [1654].

Vol. G. 84, No. 284. Chris. Emerson, of Eastgate-in-Weardale, Petn. *re* keepership of Stanhope Park, in trust for Richd. Emerson and his children; Richd. died, leaving an only [surviving] child Katherine, in 1653, released to Petr.; ½ sequestd. for recusancy of her mother Elizabeth, now dead. 22 Feb., 1654.

Vol. G. 104, Nos 623, 641. 30 Mch., 1654. Ant. Meaborne and Wm. Mowbray beg discharge of lands purchd. from Katherine, dau. and heir of Richd. Emerson. . . .

Vol. G. 84, No. 278. 15 Nov., 1654. Katherine Emerson, of Ludwell, petitions *re* her title; her father, Rich. Emerson, bought from Jno. Emerson Spartaley, wch. is claimed by Geo. Emerson . . . .

Vol. G. 23, No. 1660. 16 Jan., 1655. Sequestration discharged in behalf of Geo. Emerson.

Vol. G. 18, No. 916. 26 Oct., 1653. Property in Ludwell, Stanhope, in Weardale parish, Co. Durham, forfeited by Rob. Emerson, and bought from Treason Trustees by Gilb. Crouch and Thos. Robson.

Recusant Rolls.

Roll 42, 10 Charles I., County York. The tenants and occupiers of the lands and tenements of George Emmerson, of Barmeton, owe 40s. per annum, according to the composition made 20th September, 1632, by virtue of the aforesaid commission, by the demise of a quarter of the third part of half a messuage with its appertenances in Barmeton aforesaid for the term of his life, as found by the inquisition of the 1st September in the second year of Charles. To have 30s. per ann. as above for the term aforesaid. Paying the king 40s. per annum by equal portions at the aforesaid feasts. The first payment to begin as above. And 100s.

for the past years. Total, £7. The same George Emmerson owes £6 for arrears of the aforesaid premises before the date of the said composition owed for three whole years as above. To be paid at the six feasts aforesaid. At each feast 20s. The tenants and occupiers of the lands and tenements of William Emmerson, of Barmeton, son of the said George Emmerson, owe 100s. per annum, according to the composition made the same day and year by virtue of the aforesaid commission for the demise of a quarter of the third part of the other half of the said messuage, with its appurtenances in Barmeton aforesaid, not found by the inquisition made as above for the term aforesaid. Paying to the king 60s. per annum, and after the death of his said father, George Emmerson, 40s. per annum, in equal portions at the feasts aforesaid. The first payment to begin as above. And £12 10s. for the past years. Total, £17 10s. The same William Emmerson owes £9 for arrears of the premises. 60s. per annum owed for three years before the date of the said composition. To be paid at the six feasts aforesaid, at each feast 30s.

Roll 42, County Durham. From Robert Emmerson, of Sparkerley, to be paid in equal portions yearly for the rent of his goods, 50s. In charge for one year ended, etc., as above, 50s., to be paid in equal portions, etc. And also for the rent of the premises for half a year ended, etc., as above 25s. Total, 75s.

Roll 41, 9 Charles I., County York. Elizabeth Emerson, spinster, £100. For refusing to make submission.

Roll 40, 8 Charles I., London, Middlesex. Fardinand Emerson, of Old Holborn, yeoman, £40 for recusancy.

Roll 39, 7 Chas. I., Co. Durham. From George Emerson, of Barmeton, for the rent of two parts of the moiety of a messuage, with its appurtenances in Barmeton aforesaid, for the term of his life, found by the inquisition at 30s. per annum, to be paid at the usual terms in equal portions 40s. yearly, viz., this in charge for half a year ended as above, 20s. From William Emerson, of Barmeton, son of the aforesaid George Emerson, for the rent of two parts of the other moiety of the aforesaid messuage, with its appurtenances in Barmeton aforesaid not found by the inquisition, payable at the usual terms in equal portions, 60s., viz., this in charge for half a year, ended as above, 30s. Memorandum. That the said William Emerson agreed to pay an increased rent of 40s. more annually for the other half of the premises in Barmeton aforesaid, than the annual rent above mentioned after the death of the said George Emerson, his father. From George Emerson, of Barmeton, for arrears of rent for two parts of a moiety of the one messuage, with its appurtenances there at 40s. per annum, due to our Lord the King, for three years ended, etc., as above, and payable at the aforesaid feasts in equal portions, £6. From William Emerson, of Barmeton, son of the aforesaid George Emerson, for the arrears of rent for two parts of the other moiety of the aforesaid messuage, with its appurtenances there, at 60s. per annum, due to our Lord the King, for three years ended, etc., as above, and payable at the aforesaid feasts in equal portions, £9.

Recusant Rolls searched for 1620—21—22, 1631—1637 inclusive.

Roll 29, 18 James I., 1621, London, Middlesex. From Ferdinand Emerson 100s., for the price of his goods and chattels taken and returned by the aforesaid commissioners by reason of the recusancy of the same Ferdinand.

Roll 30, 19 James I., 1622, Lincoln. Edward Emerson, of Barrowe, £40.

Roll 45, 13 Charles I, 1637. Robert Emerson, of Sparkerly, in the parish of Stanhopp, in Co. Durham, yeoman, convicted recusant; owes 50s. per annum for a composition made 19th August, 1635, by virtue of the aforesaid commission for his personal estate in goods, and for debts and forfeitures to the king by reason of his recusancy. To be paid to the king during his life and recusancy as above 50s. per annum in equal portions at the feasts aforesaid. The first payment to begin as above. The aforesaid Robert Emerson is not to be burdened with arrears of debt before Martinmas, 1634, because he was not convicted before 50s. for one whole year due at Martinmas and Pentecost last, to be paid at Martinmas and Pentecost next £6 5s. for the two years and a half last past. Total, £11 5s.

Roll 45, Co. Durham. From Elizabeth Emmerson, of Ludwell, widow, for the rent of two parts of the fourth part of one tenement and six acres of land called Ludwell, in the parish of Stanhope, and for personal estate in goods. Paying at the feasts of St. Martin and Pentecost by equal portions 40s. per annum. Here in charge for two years and a half, ended at the feast of Pentecost this year, 1638, 100s. To be paid at the feast of St. Martin, this year, 1638, and Pentecost and Martinmas, 1539 and 1540, by equal portions. And also for the rent of the premises for one year ended at the feast of St. Martin this year, 20s. Total, £6.

Roll 44, 12 Charles I. 1636. The tenants of the lands and tenements of Robert Emmerson, of Ludwell, in the parish of Stanhope, in the county aforesaid [Durham], owe £20 per annum for the rent of two parts of a messuage there, and 100 acres of meadow and pasture belonging to the same messuage, and of part now in the occupation of Christopher Emmerson and George Bainebrigge, of the yearly value of £30 [whereof he is seised]. Taken into the hand of the Lord King the day and year aforesaid. And £10 for the past half year. Total, £30. And he answers in the 14th roll of this king in York, for the same farm and its arrears.

Roll 44. The tenants of the lands and tenements of Elizabeth Emmerson, of Pontaffe, in the county aforesaid, widow, owe £8 13s. 4d. per annum for the rent of four parts [whereof she is seised] of one tenement in Ludwell, in the county aforesaid, and 40 acres of land, meadow and pasture, belonging to the same tenement, and part in the tenure of the aforesaid Elizabeth or her assigns of the annual value beyond reprisals, £13. Taken the day and year aforesaid £4 6s. 8d. for the past half year. Total, £13. The same Elizabeth Emmerson, £10 for the price of her goods and chattels returned there.

Roll 44. Francis Emmerson, of Whitton, in the parish of Grindon, in the county aforesaid [Durham], £16 for the price of five cows, thirty sheep, and one horse returned there.

Roll 44. William Emmerson, of Barrington (? Barmeton), in the parish of Haughton, in the county aforesaid, owes £26 13s. 4d. per annum for the rent of two parts [whereof he is seised] of a third part of one messuage in Corneforth and 200 acres of land, arable, meadow and pasture, belonging to the same messuage, and part in right of Anne his wife, now in the occupation of Robert Widhouse and others, of the yearly value beyond reprisals of £20. And of two parts of one messuage in Thorpethickes, in the county aforesaid, and 200 acres of land, meadow and pasture, belonging to the same messuage, and of part now in the tenure or occupation of Alexander Davison, of Newcastle, gentleman, or his assigns, of the yearly value in all issues beyond reprisals, £20, taken the day and year aforesaid. £13 6s. 8d. for the past half year. Total, £40.

Roll 43, 11 Charles I., 1635. Robert Emerson is mentioned as being a joint tenant with several other persons of lands in the parish of Sedefeild, Co. Durham, belonging to Robert Layton, of Westlayton, gentleman. Ralph Emerson is mentioned as being another of his tenants for lands in Romanby, Co. York.

Roll 43. The tenants of two parts of the lands and tenements of Ralph Emerson, of Wolsingham, yeoman, owe £8 per annum for the rent of two parts of that farm at Eastyate, in the parish of Stanhope, Co. Durham, for the term of several years still to come, of the yearly value in all issues beyond reprisals, £12, whereof possession was taken the day and year aforesaid. And £8 for the year last past. Total, £16. And it is returned in the 14th roll of this king in York for the same farm and its arrears.

Roll 46, 14 Charles I., Co. York. The tenants of two parts of the lands and tenements of Robert Emerson, of Ludwell, in the parish of Stanhoppe, in the county aforesaid [Durham], recusant, owe £20 per annum for the rent of two parts of one messuage there, and 100 acres of land, arable, meadow and pasture, belonging to the same messuage, and of part now in the occupation of Christopher Emmerson and George Bainebrigge, of the yearly value of £30 [whereof he is possessed]. Taken into the hand of our Lord King Charles at Bishop Auckland, the 28th day of March, in the 12th year of his reign, by the reverend Father in Christ, Thomas Bishop of Durham, and other Commissioners, by reason of the recusancy of the same Robert, as is contained in the roll of the 12th year of the King in the affairs of York. And £50 for the past year. Total, £70. But they do not owe the whole thereof, nor [because of the insufficiency and uncertainty of the said inquisition] are they hereafter to be charged for the same rent. By consideration of the Barons remembered in the memorandum on the Treasurer's Remembrancer side, for the 15th year of this King, viz., among the records of Michaelmas Term in a certain proceeding touching Robert Emmerson, tenant of the premises. And they are quit. The tenants of two parts of the lands and tenements of Ralph Emerson, of Wolsingham, in Co. Durham, yeoman, owe £8 per annum for the rent of two parts of the same farm at Eastyate, in the parish of Stanhope, in the county aforesaid, for the term of several years still to come, of the yearly value in all issues beyond reprisals of £12, whereof he is possessed. Taken by Richard Hunt, Professor of Sacred Theology, and other Commissioners, the 31st October, in the 10th year of this king, in the City of Durham. As is contained in the roll of the 11th year of this King in the affairs of York. And £32

for the past year. Total, £40. But they do not owe the whole thereof, nor ought the said rent to be hereafter charged, by consideration of the Barons mentioned in the memorandum on the Treasurer's Remembrancer side for the 15th year of this King, viz., among the records for Michaelmas Term, Roll ——, in a certain proceeding touching John Emerson, tenant of the aforesaid farm. The tenants and occupiers of the lands and tenements of Elizabeth Emerson, of Ludwell, Co. Durham, being a convicted recusant, owe 40s. p. annum according to the composition made 21st August, 1638, by virtue of the aforesaid commission, by the demise of two parts of the fourth part of a tenement and 60 acres of land called Ludwell, in the parish of Stanhope, found by the inquisition of the 28th March, in the 12th year of the present King Charles, and to have for her personal estate for the term of forty-one years, if the aforesaid premises shall happen to be for so long in the hand of the king, his heirs or successors by reason of the recusancy of the aforesaid Elizabeth. Paying annually for it to the king, his heirs or successors, 40s. at the Feast of St. Martin and Pentecost in equal portions. The first payment to begin at Martinmas, 1638. And 100s. for two year and a half ended at Pentecost last. To be paid on five separate days of payment, viz., at Martinmas, 1638, Pentecost and Martinmas, 1639 and 1640, at each payment, 20s. And 20s. for half the past year. Total, £8.

Roll 46, Co. Hertford, 14 Chas. I. George Emberson, of Hadham Magna, gentleman, £60 for recusancy.

Rolls 47 and 48, 15 and 16 Chas. I., contain no entries.

Pedigrees, etc.

Durham Visitation Pedigrees, by Joseph Foster, 1575, 1615, and 1666, p. 131, Fulthorpe, of Tunstall: Sir Roger Fulthorpe, Kt., sonne of Alan Fulthorpe, of the Bishopricke.

4. Gabriel Fulthorpe, a merchant in Newcastle. = Barbara, dau. of John Emerson, an Alderman in Newcastle.

1. Mary, d. y.
2. Barbara.
John, d. y.

Harl: MS. 1153, fo. 7, Visitation of Durham taken 1615: Maddyson.

Wills Maddison de Ellergill in Epatu. = Johanna filia t. hered Willi Marley de Unthank in Epatu.

Ricus, m. = filia Robti. Hagthorp.

Willm. m. = filia Jacobi Wiclif de W.

Alexander Madison. = filia xpoferi Ducket de Graye in Westml.

filiam Elrington. = Lionellum Madison. = filia Emerson. 1 uxorem.

Harl: MS. 1153, fo. 17: Wilkinson.

Willmus Wilkinson de Harpley House in Epatu. | Jana filia Roberti Hall de Staveley and Greuecroft.

Lancelottum W. de ead = Katerina filia Tho. Leighe Epatu.

Laur W. de ead t. = Dorothea filia t. coh. Radi fferey Epatu, 1615. | Emerson de Westgate Castle, in Wardall.

Johem Hered Et. 26. An. 1615. = Eliz. filia Wi. Boxe.

Nicolaum. Willm. Margar.

Mariam. Elizah.

Harl. MS. 1168, Visitation of Durham, 1575: Nil.

Harl: MS. 1540, Visitation of Durham, 1615. (Contains the same information as I have copied from Harl: MS. 1153, fo. 7 and 17). Fo. 143: "A note of all such Parsons as ware Disclamed in the time of this Vesetation, 1615." . . . . Darnetone, Easte and weste Ward.—Thomas Dobbison, of Wooddifield; Bryan Emerson, of Estyate. . . . . Thomas Emerson, of Darnton. . . . . Fo. 157 b: A drawing of Ralf of Foxton's arms. These Armes and Crest were granted to Raffe Emerson, of ffoxton, in the bishoprick of Durham, by a pattent dated the 26 H. 8, by Sr. Thomas Wall, Knt., als. Garter King of Armes.

Mentions of Emerson in Lansd. Mss. 865; Fo. (new No.) 87. A Catalogue of the Gentrye of the Countye Palatine of Durham:—Emerson of Eastyate; beares azure on a bend argt. three Spread Eagles Sable. Fos. 163–167. County of Lincolne. Fo. 165: (Pedigree of Cecil, Lord Burleigh), as published under Emersons of Co. Lincoln (q.v.).

"Gerard Sisill maried foure wives, first Margaret, daughtr. of Stephen Delabar, and had ysaue, John; his second wife (sic.) to Sr. Simon Ward, by her he had ysaue, James; third wife, daughter of Martin Hopton, and had ysaue, Martin, Henry, Dauid and Johan. Last wife, Jane, the daughter of Robert Emerson, and had ysaue, Stigand, that was slaine."

Lysons' Durham Coll. (Add. MS. 9458, fo. 4—7.) Contains no mention of Emerson.

"Americans of Royal Descent." By Charles H. Browning. Second Edition, p. 408–9.

Pedigree CXXII. 1. Edward I., King of England, had by his second wife: 2. Prince Thomas, Earl of Norfolk, who had by his first wife: . . . . 9. Sir Edward Gorges, d. 1566, m. dau. of Sir John Newton, and had: 10. Sir Edmund Gorges, d. 1557; m. 1521, Anne, dau. of Sir John Walsh, of Little Sudbury, and had: 11. Edward Gorges, gent., b. 1537, d. 1568, who m. Cicely Hyones, or Lygon, of Madresfield, Worcester, and had: 12. Sir Edward Gorges, of Charlton and Wraxall, co. Somerset, Knt., b. 1564, d. 1624. He was brother to Sir Ferdinand Gorges, Knt., of Ashton-Phillips, Somerset, Governor of Plymouth, and proprietor of the present State of Maine, father of Captain Robert Gorges, Governor and "planter" of New England, 1623, whose New England patents descended to his brother John. Sir Edward m. Dorothy, a dau. of Sir George Speke, and had: 13. Sir Robert Gorges, of Wraxall, co. Somerset, who m., first, 1616, Mary, dau. of Sir Marmaduke Dayrell, Knt., and had: 14. Ages Gorges, who m., 1646 Clement Hill, of Ponghill, Devon, and had: 15. Hugh Hill, of Puddington, Devon, b. 1664. He m. Dorothy, dau. of John Emerson, and had: 16. William Hill, of Whiteton, b. 1698, d. 1745, who had: 17. William Hill, of Exeter, d. 1804. He m. Alice, dau. of Ralph Dixon, of Taunton, and had: . . . .

Burke's "History of Commoners of Great Britain." Vol. III., p. 183. 1836. Wilson, of Eshton Hall. Wilson, Matthew, esq., of Eshton Hall, in co. York, b. 10 Aug., 1772; m. at Gargrave, 24 November, 1800, his first cousin, Mary Clive, only surviving dau. and heiress of Matthew Wilson, esq., of Eshton Hall, and widow of Rev. Hen. Richardson Currer. By this lady he has issue: 1. Matthew, a magistrate for the West Riding and for co. Lanc., baptized at Gargrave 26 Oct., 1802; educated at Harrow School, gentleman commoner, and B.A. of Brazennose, Oxford; marr. 15 June, 1826, at St. James's, Westminster, Sophia Louisa Emerson,* only dau. and heiress of Sir Wharton Amcotts, bart., of Kettlethorpe, in co. Lincoln, 20 years M.P. for East Retford (by Amelia Teresa Campbell, his 2nd wife), etc., etc. * [I suppose this is only a Christian name, but as it appears in the index I thought it better to take it out.]

Vol. III., p. 388. 1836. Lewis, of Greenmeadow. . . . . Gabriel Lewis, esq., of Llanishen, sheriff in 1662, who mf Grace, dau. of Humphrey Wyndham, and was father o. Thomas Lewis, esq., of Llanishen, twice married. . . . . Thomas Lewis, esq. . . . . The Rev. Wyndham Lewis, m. Mary, dau. of Samuel Price, esq., of Park and Coyty, in co. Glamorgan, and had the present Wyndham Lewis, Esq., M.P., besides 3 other sons and 2 daus., viz., Thomas . . . . Henry (who m. Mary Emerson, and had issue). . . .

Vol. III., p. 558. 1836. Garth, of Morden. The family of Garth was first settled at Morden about the year 1500. . . . . Richard Garth, esq., b. in 1682, who m. Elizabeth, dau. of William Emerson, and was succeeded at his decease, 10 Jan., 1727, by his only son, Richard Garth, esq., of Morden, b. 1714. . . . .

Foster's "Royal Lineage of Noble and Gentle Families," Vol. II., p. 482. Charles May Lushington, Madras C.S., 1802—40, a circuit judge, member of Council, 1836, born 8 March, ——, died 8 Mar. 1844, m. Catherine, dau. of Franklyn Ansell, Esq., E.I.C.S. She died 22 May, 1861, having had 3 sons and 3 daus. Franklyn Lushington. . . . . Edith, m. 31 July, 1855, to Col. Charles Leopold Wyndham Baker, Madras art., retd. 1864: d. 5 Mar., 1875, having had 1 s. and 3 daus. (1) Wyndham Frank (Baker), b. 17 May, 1856, (2) Edith Kate Eliza, m. 19 Nov. 1878, to Alexander Lyon Emerson,* Major, Glouc. regt. *Now Major-General. P. H. E.

Biographies, etc.

Foley's "History of the English Jesuits." Series 5, p. 17. Emerson, Ralph, Temporal Coadjutor, was born in the diocese of Durham about 1551; entered the Society in Rome about 1569, and was formed in Rome in 1579. He was one of the first three Englishmen of his degree who entered the Society, and left Rome with Fathers Parsons and Campion for England, April 18, 1580. He landed at Dover with Father Campion on June 25 following, and was arrested

with him at the port, but by a singular providence both were soon after released. He was the special companion assigned to Father Campion in his short but successful apostolical career through a portion of England. After the martyrdom of Father Campion, in December, 1581, Brother Emerson, whom Father Campion used to call "his little man," managed to escape into France, and joined Father Robert Parsons at Rouen, who afterwards assigned him as Socius to Father William Holt in his expedition to Scotland, and later on to Father William Weston, whom he accompanied from France to England in 1584. He was seized with a number of Catholic books entrusted to his care, and committed to prison, first to the Counter in the Poultry, and then to the Clink, where he enjoyed the company of Father John Gerard for a long time. He was subsequently removed to Newgate, and finally transferred to the horrible dungeons of Wisbeach Castle, from whence he was removed to Framlingham Castle, Suffolk, upon the accession of James I., in 1603, and was sent thence into banishment with many others. He had long been completely helpless from paralysis, brought on by his intense sufferings during an imprisonment of twenty years in some of the most loathsome dungeons of the time. He died a holy death at St. Omer's College, March 2, 1604, æt 53, having afforded to all an example of heroic patience and edification. [The above is very much condensed.]

Gentleman's Magazine commencing 1731. 1732: Rev. Mr. Emmerson, Rector of St. Ethelberg, in Bishopgate St., died 17th June. 1734: John Emerson, of Putney, Esq., married to M——, of Fulham, widow. [An ink spot over the name.] 1735: Wm. Morgan, Esq., to Miss Emerson, worth £14,000, married at Richmond. 1735: At the assizes, Kingston, Joseph Emmerson and John James, alias Black Jack, sentenced to be hanged in chains (9th Aug.) for entering the house of Jasper Hale, Esq., of Peckham, and wounding him and his servant. They were hanged on the 20 Aug. [having, in the meantime, endeavoured to break out of gaol and been severely wounded in the attempt], at Kennington gallows. 1736: Geo. Ingram, of Saffron Walden, Esq., to Miss Emerson, of Hatfield, married 23 March. —— Gale, Esq., of Fulham, to Miss Emerson, worth £14,000. Gabriel Emerson, Esq., died at Brentford, 1st Novr. 1737: Daniel Emerson, Esq., at Marlborough, formerly Dy. Commissary of His Majesty's forces in Ireland, died 14 April.—William Emerson, Esq., appointed Gentleman of the Privy Chamber to His Majesty. 1742: John Emmerson, Esq., was chosen Director of the East India Company, 7th April. 1746: Thomas Emerson, Esq., sugar baker in Thames Street, died 9th July, and by will left £12,000 to the Foundling Hospital, and very large legacies to other public charities. 1748: Thomas Emerson sentenced to death for assault and robbery. 14th Oct. 1765: John Emerson, Esq., Surveyor at the Custom House, died 3rd January.—Mr. Emerson, Surveyor of the Custom House warehouses, died 13th Nov., worth £20,000. 1766: Rev. Mr. Emerson, Rector of Little Hallingbury, Essex, in the gift of the Charter House, died 8th Jany. 1774: At Winston, in Durham, the Rev. Mr. Emmerson, a Justice of the Peace.

Q.R. Licences to pass beyond the Seas.

17—18 Jas. I. No. 8 (1620—40), London. The names of such persons as have received their passes and tendered and taken their oaths of Allegiance in this Porte in one whole year ending at Xpms., 1621.

25 Jan., 1620. Robert Emerson, aged xxv. yeres, intending to pass over into the Netherlands to serve as a souldier under the Lo. Lisle, Hath taken the oath of allegeance, die et Ao. prd.

13 Feb., 1620. The names of such men as are to be conducted over to Tetts, in Gulickland. Willm. ffurrs. Robert Emerson.

No. 12, 16th March, 1623. John Emerson, aged 18 years, and Michael Ancock, aged 23 years, intending to pass over to Vlishing to serve as souldiers, have tendered and taken the oath of allegeance.

2 Jan., 1634. Urcilla Emerson, wife of Thomas Emerson, dwelling in Flush.

1 July, 1635. In the Abigail for New England. Jo. Emerson, aged 20.

No. 17, 21 Feb., 1631. John Emerson, of age xxvij. yeres, intending to passe to ye Lowe countries to serve, Hath tendered and taken ye oath of allegeance. John Emerson.

16 Jan., 1631. Thomas Symonds xxxv. yeres old. . . . . Michell Emerson, 28 yeres old . . . to passe to Dunkerk to fetch a shipp thence to this Port of London.

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Emerson, Edward, s. Tho., of Gaiton, co. Lincoln, pp. Lincoln Coll., matric. 18 Dec., 1667, aged 17; B.A., 1671.

Emerson, Fulke, of Oxon, pleb. Brasenose Coll., matric. 10 Nov., 1621, aged 17.

Emersonne, John, of Northampton, pleb., Brasenose Coll., matric. 24 Nov., 1598, aged 17; B.A, from St. Edmund Hall, 4 July, 1600.

Emerson, Ralph (Radolphus), of co. Durham, pleb.

Queen's Coll.; matric. 17 Nov., 1581, aged 17. [Query—Was this Ralph the Jesuit?]

Emmerson, Ralph, s. Joh., of Newcastle, Northumberland, gent., St. Edmund Hall; matric. 14 April, 1686, aged 15; B.A., 1689; M.A., 1700; vicar of Potton, Beds., 1693; rector of St. Ethelburga, Loudon, 1720, until his death, 17 June, 1732. See Foster's Index Eccl.*

Emerson, Richard (Emarson), of co. Lincoln, pleb. Magdalen Coll.; matric. 25 Oct., 1589, aged 16; chorister, 1589—91. See Bloxham, i. 23.† [† No further information.]

Emerson, Thomas, chaplain, M.A. (sup. 22 Jan.), 1505—6.

Emerson, Thomas, of co. Warwick, pleb. Queen's Coll.; matric. 4 Nov., 1586, aged 16; B.A., 1 July, 1590; M.A., 12 April, 1595; one of these names Canon, of Chichester, 1610; another, vicar of Wisbech, St. Mary, 1615. See Foster's Index Eccl.*

* [The only Vol. of Foster's Index Eccl. in the Museum is 1800—40.]

Emerson, Thomas, s. Giles, of Newbery, Berks, pleb. New Inn Hall; matric. 18 Feb., 1624—5, aged 18; B.A. from Magdalen Hall, 24 Jan., 1627—8; M.A., 8 June, 1630.

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Emerson, John Ja., A. Te., LL.B., 1870; LL.M., 1876; LL.D., 1882.
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Emmerson, W. L., L.M., Coll. Med., 1873.

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Emmerson, Herbert Harry. Matr. June, 1895, L'pool. Inst. and Wesley.

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Emerson, Herbert Bree, General Infirm., Chester—M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Lond., 1894; (Middlx.); Mem. Chester Med. Soc., House Surg. (late Vis. Surg.) Chester Infirm.; late Asst. House Surg. Guest Hosp., Dudley.

Emerson, John, Saltaire, Shipley, Yorks.—L.R.C.P., Edin., and L.M., 1887; L.R.C.S.I., 1884; L.M. Coombe Hosp., Dub., 1883; (R.C.S.I.); Sen. Medallist in Anat., 1883; Mem. Brit. Med. Assoc. and Bradford Med. Chir. Soc.; Hon. Surg. Sir Titus Salt's Hosp., Shipley; late Res. Asst. Surg. Mercers' Hosp., Dub.

Emerson, Peter Hy., The Nook, Oulton Broad, Lowestoft, Suffolk (not in practice)—B.A., Camb., 1883; M.B., 1885; M.R.C.S., Eng., 1879; (King's Coll. and Camb.); Prizem. and Assoc. King's Coll., Lond.; Fell. Roy. Micros., Roy. Horticul., Roy. Meteorol. and Roy. Photo. Socs.; late House Phys. and Sambrooke Med. Regist. King's Coll. Hosp. Joint author of "Life and Landscape on the Norfolk Broads," 1887; "Perspective Drawing and Vision," 1891. Author of "Paul Ray at the Hospital," 1881; "Pictures from Life in Field and Fen," 1887; "Idyls of the Norfolk Broads," 1888; "Pictures of East Anglian Life," 1888; "Naturalistic Photography," first and second editions, 1889; "English Idyls," first and second editions, 1889; "Wild Life on a Tidal Water," 1890; "East Coast Yarns," 1891; "Nature Stories, Myths and Phantasies,' 1891; "A Son of the Fens," 1892; "On English Lagoons," 1893; "Signor Lippo," 1893; "Welsh Fairy Tales," 1894; "Tales from Welsh Wales," 1894; "Birds, Beasts and Fishes of the Norfolk Broadland," second edition, 1895; "Marsh Leaves," 1895, Pop. Ed., 1898; "Caoba: The Guerilla Chief," first and second editions, 1897; "The English Emersons," 1898. Contrib. "Case of Left-sided Hemiplegia, with Complete Aphasia," *Lancet*, 1880; "Training," *Camb. Rev.*, 1881; "Exercise," and "Ventilation of the Dark Room," *Year Book of Photog.*, 1885; "Pharyngitis and Photography," *Ibid.*, 1887; "Ammonia Poisoning," *Ibid*, 1887; "Wash-leather Skin," *Brit. Med. Journ.*, 1886; Arts. to Eng. and Amer. Journs.

Emerson, Robt. Nelson, Swaffham, Norfolk—L.S.A., 1841; (St. Geo.); late Med. Off. Health Swaffham U. Dist.

Emerson, Thos. Gilbert, Wantage, Berks—M.D.R.U.I. and M.Ch., 1875; L.M. Coombe Hospital, Dub., 1876; (Carm. Sch., Dub., and Qu. Coll., Galw.); Med. Off. Wantage Dist. and Workh. Wantage Union; Med. Off. Health Wantage U. Dist.

Emerson, John Joseph, Mountmellick, Queen's Co.—L.R.C.P.I. and L.M., 1878; L.R.C.S.I., 1875 (Steevens' Hosp., Dub.).

Emmerson, John Bolton, High-st., Biggleswade, Beds.—M.D., Durh., 1880; M.B., 1887; M.R.C.S., Eng., 1876; (Univ. Durh. and St. Bart.); Schol. Univ., Durh., 1871; Hon. Surg. Hosp. for Incur.; Med. Off. and Pub. Vacc. Biggleswade Dist., Biggleswade Union; Certif. Fact. Surg.; formerly House Surg. Jarrow Hosp., and Surg. "Colonial" Line.

Emmerson, Wm. Lindsay, Ruding Villa, The Fosse, Leicester—Lic. Med., Durh., 1873; M.R.C.S., Eng., 1873; L.S.A., 1873 (Newc.-on-Tyne and Westm.); Mem. Brit. Med. Assoc.; Surg. Leicester and Leicestersh. Prov. Disp.; late Asst. Surg. Newc.-on-Tyne Hosp. for Sick Childr.

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4 Elizabeth, Vol. CXC. No. 32. Robt. Gyttyns, keeper

of the Compter, in the Poultry, to Walsyngham. That Raphe Emerson was the only recusant remaining in his custody. 14 June, 1586.

Vol. 248. No. 103. "Notices of other priests received by the Wisemans." . . . Nicholas Owen . . . was at Mr. Emerson's house at Felsted . . . [11 May], 1594.

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Vol. 190. No. 32. Letter from Robert Gyttyns, Keeper of the Compter, in the Poultry, to [Walsingham], endorsed 14 June, 1586. The only recusants or Jesuits remaining in his custody is one, Raphe Emerson, for bringing over certain books touching some of the honourable Council, who was committed 26 Sept., 1584, by Sir Edward Osbourne, then Lord Mayor of London, and examined by him and others. The examn. remains in the hands of the Justices, or Town Clerk.

Vol. 246. No. 14. The E. of Huntingdon to the Lord Keeper, dated 23 Nov., 1593, York. (*Int. al.*) He has sent for and examined Emmerson, but he has informed him of nothing of importance such as H. M. may have expected from him.

Vol. 246. No. 14, I. The examination of *Thomas Emerson, taken 24 Nov., 1593. Deponent says he never was in Flanders, nor ever crossed the seas, save once into Norway for Haukes, about May last, when he was absent about 6 weeks. He was apprenticed about 1584 or 1585 to John Edwards, of the King's Head, in New Fish Street, and served for his freedom about 6 years; when, about 3 years ago next Lent, he set up a tavern for himself at the Three Kings, in Fish Street, where he remained till about last Annunciation Day, when he came to Barwick and remained there till this, his last voyage, intended for Hull. About 2 years since he obtained the Lord Chamberlain's livery, thro' one Mr. Sadler, and has worn it ever since. He never served any other persons, or spoke of the army that was to come to Ostend. (signed) THOMAS EMERSONE. * Thos., of London, brewer; brother of Edward.—P. H. E.

Vol. 248. No. 103. The examination of John Frank, taken 12 May, 1594. He says (*int. al.*), that Nicholas Owen, who was taken in bed with Mr. Gerrard, the Jesuit, was at Mr. Wiseman's house at Christmas, ... and the said Owen was at *Mr. Emerson's house at Felsted while Mrs. Wiseman lay there. * Evidently Ralph the Jesuit—*vide* Emersons of Essex. P.H.E.

Vol. 51. June, 1569. Certificate of the General Musters of all the inhabitants of the County Palatine of Durham, their arms and armour.

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Brome. Able men furnished with stele cappes, jacks and bills :—Rauff Emerson. ij.

Witton Gilberte. Able men furnished with cootes of plaite and speeres :—Rauff Emersonne. j.

DARNETON WARD.

North Bedburne. Able men without arms :—Thomas Emmerson.

Wardell Forres. George Emerson, Lancelot Emerson.

Stanhope in Wardell. William Emerson, Raffe Emerson, Thomas Emerson, Lyenell Emerson, Robert Emerson, Thomas Emerson, Rowland Emerson, Arthur Emerson, Christopher Emerson, George Emerson (with billes and other furnishing), Rowland Emerson, Thomas Emerson, Rowland Emerson, Nicholas Emerson, Robert Emerson, Arthur Emerson, Lancelot Emerson, George Emerson, John Emerson, Rychard Emerson, Rychard Emerson.

Brasserton. John Emerson.

Bishop Auckland. James Emerson.

Langenewton. Rychard Emerson.

Forrest. Cuthbart Emerson (with bills without other furniture).

RABY LORDSHIP.

Raby. John Emerson (furnished with jacks, stele cappes and billes). Rauf Emerson, William Emerson, Lancelot Emerson (with bowes and wthout. armour).

LORDSHIP OF BRAUNCEPATH.

Bransbith. Raufe Emerson (light horseman, armed and horsed). Raufe Emerson (furnished with jacks and stele cappes).

ADDENDA.

Vol. 17. List of persons remaining in the gaol at Durham. Tenants and reteyners of the Earl of Westmoreland . . . . Jan. 1, 1570. John Emerson, of Shotton.

Vol. 17, No. 1. Jan.—Feb., 1569—1570. Primo die Januarii, 1569 [—1570]. Presoners Remaininge in the gaiole at Durham, in the custody of Sr. George Bowes, Knight marshall vnder the right honorable The erle of Sussex, L. lieutenante in the North. The names of all the gentilmen remaninge in the said gaiole. No Emersons. . . . . Tennantes and reteyners to the Erle of Westmerl. Cuthbert Story, of Darnton, mercer . . . . John Emerson, of Shotton. . . .

Jan.—Feb., 1569 [—1570]. No. 14, II. The names of suche as th'erle of Warwick and the L. admirall have received in to there protection. William Hodshon . . . . John Emerson. . . .

James I., Vol. 12, No. 96. February, 1605. Grant to Sir John Ramsay and Thomas Emerson in fee farm of the Manor of Swaffham and Swaffham Bulbeck, Cambridge.

Vol. 14, No. 8. May, 1605. Lord Treasurer Dorset to Sir Thomas Lake. To pass a grant prefixed of lease of the Manors of Swaffham and Swaffham Bulbeck, etc., in Cos. Cambridge and Suffolk, to John Walton and Richard Locksmith, being transferred to them by Sir John Ramsay and Thomas Emerson, to whom they were previously granted, on account of their small value, and of sundry mistakes in the patent.

Vol. 19, No. 49. March, 1606. Warrant to pay Thomas Emerson, creditor of Sir James Sandilands, £300.

Vol. 23, No. 14. Sept., 1606. Grant to Thomas Emerson of the parsonage of Burham, in Kent.

Vol. 32, No. 52. May, 1608. Grant to Dorothy Emerson of an alms room in St. Stephens, Westminster.

Vol. 49, No. 59. Nov., 1609. Grant to Thomas Emerson and Richard Cawdale, in fee-simple, of divers manors and lands, value £176 15s. 8¼d. per annum, and of others in fee-farm, value £166 11s. 8d. per annum. All surrendered by Viscount Haddington. [Docquet.]

Vol. 66, No. 29. Sept., 1611. Tim Elks to Thomas Lumsden. Discourse with Mr. Emerson relative to the Earl of Northumberland's intention to absent himself from Parliament on the day of the Gunpowder Plot.

Vol. 83, No. 26. Nov., 1615. Shameful havoc of the deer in Brancepeth Park by Emerson's servants.

Vol. 83, No. 37. Nov., 1615. Suggestions by Hen. Sanderson for the good of Northumberland and the Bishopric of Durham. Suppression of recusancy. Strict accounts to be demanded from Thomas Emerson for the sums (tenants' rents) he has already received.

Vol. 83, No. 59. Nov., 1615. Sanderson to Winwood. Emerson's plot is not the first devised against him. Incloses. Earl of Shrewsbury to same. He has many enemies, and would have been ruined had Emerson's Commission lasted.

Vol. 90, No. . March, 1617. Re-grant to Thomas Emerson at suit of Visct. Haddington, of the manors of New Langport and Sevans, and other lands in Kent; forfeited by Sir Henry James for refusing the Oath of Allegiance, with addition to the former grant of a condition that, if he be disturbed therein by Martin James, son of Sir Henry, a grant to the said Martin of the other lands of Sir Henry shall be void, and Emerson compensated therefrom.

Vol. 103, No. 88. Nov., 1618. The Council of the Prince of Wales to the Tenants of Raby and Brancepeth. Thomas Emerson being appointed Steward of those lordships, no courts are to be kept by any other.

Vol. 150, No. 112. August, 1623. Sec. Conway to Edward Emerson. Warns him not, under shelter of a protection which he has obtained, to try to avoid payment of £300 on behalf of Thomas Emerson, deceased, for whom he is administrator.

Vol. 151, No. 42. August, 1623. Edward Emerson to Sec. Conway. Hopes to pay all his debts, but cannot do it nor reap benefit by his protection if pressed to speedy payments, and compelled to sell at under rates by the urgency of Hugh Stanford, the cutler. Thanks for his protection against him.

Vol. 162, No. 28. April, 1624. Petition of Edward Emerson to the King for prolongation of protection from the creditors of the late Thomas Emerson, for whom he was surety, having paid £3000 out of £6000, and wishing time to discharge the remainder.

Vol. 163, Nos. 24 and 25. April, 1624. Deposition of Wm. Noke that Edward Emerson has paid sums amount-

ing to £3241 to creditors of Thomas Emerson. Deposition of Edward Emerson to same effect.

Vol. 168, No. 51. June, 1624. Sec. Conway to Lord Pres. Mandeville. Requests him to mediate in the business between Stamford and Emerson.

Vol. 173. October, 1624. Sec. Conway to George Verney. To assist Mr. Lydiard and to move for Conway to have the guardianship of Alex. Emerson's children.

Vol. 173, No. 109. October, 1624. Protection for Edward Emerson, and his sureties for a year.

Charles I., Vol. 25, No. 53. April 23rd, 1626. Petition of James Cambell, of London, Alderman, to the Council. The petitioner having sued Edw. Emerson, was ordered by the Council to suspend his suit for twelve months. Twenty months more have elapsed, and no payment. He therefore prays for redress. Underwritten is an order of the Council that Emerson should satisfy the petitioner within that month, or else appear before their Lordships.

Vol. 35, No. 48. Sep. 8th, 1626. Petition of Edward Emerson, to the Council. Being bound for the debts of Thomas Emerson, deceased, petitioner obtained a protection, and paid off £4000, but being disabled by losses, during the plague year, and especially by the death of 12 of his servants as a brewer, his creditors made him a bankrupt; notwithstanding which, Alderman Cambell procured a council warrant against him, under which he has been 12 or 13 days in custody; prays that he may be dismissed, not being able to pay the Messenger's charges.

Vol. 36, No. 29. Sep. 20th, 1626. Petition of Edward Emerson to the Council. Reiterates his former petitions (Vol. 35, No. 48), having now been 24 days in custody.

Vol. 6, No. 68. September 16th, 1625. Sir William Andrewes to Sec. Conway. One Emerson having spoken foul, seditious matter touching a great nobleman, Sir William had committed him to gaol, and sent the examinations for consideration. Incloses:—I. Information of John Marshall. II. Examination of William Emerson. III. Sir Thomas Savage and others, to Sir William Andrewes. Emerson was a fuller, and had lived two years in Cardington in good repute.

Vol. 6, No. 104. Sept. 24th, 1625. Sir John Sucklinge to Sir William Andrewes. Sir William's letter, with the examinations respecting Emerson, had been brought to Sir John who suggests that inquiry should be made upon certain other points.

Vol. 94, No. 14. Feb. 22nd, 1628. Warrant to discharge all improved rents of the lordships of Brancepeth, Raby and Barnard Castle in Durham, made by Mr. Emerson, the several rents being charged as they have been compounded for by Sir Henry Vane and Humphrey Wharton, Commissioners for the King's lands when Prince of Wales.

Vol. 117, No. 9. September 13th, 1628. Return made by Adam Flip, etc., Messengers of the Chamber, of the names of Booksellers in London who dealt in old libraries. At Godfrey Emerson's they found 2 Buchanani Cronicon, 8vo; and 1 Pareus ad Romanos, 4to, which he was charged to keep until he heard further.

Vol. 144, No. 31. June 2nd, 1629. Sir Edward Dering, Lieutenant of Dover Castle, to Theophilus, Earl of Suffolk. Incloses:—Examinations of John Emerson and Joshua Langworth, deposing to further acts of scorn practised towards them by mariners of the Waterhouud in Dover harbour.

Vol. 151, No. 9. Nov. 3rd, 1629. Petition of Sibell Aley, widow of Captain John Aley. She has found out that Thomas Emerson, deceased, took a lease of the late King of lands in Co. Durham at the rent of £550, in which lease were two clauses of nomine poenae, one for not enrolling the lease at £20, for every year's default, which continued 10 years, to the forfeiture of £200, and the other of £26 13s. 4d. for every year's default in payment of rent at the times reserved on which there is a forfeiture of £160. Prays for a grant of these forfeitures.

Vol. 170 (?). June, 1634. (Acts of the Court of High Commission.) In pursuance of intimation served upon Toby Crispe, he appeared, and produced for his compurgators (amongst others) John Emerson, M.A., Curate of Shoreham.

Vol. 345. January, 1636—37. Petition of Francis Emerson to the Commissioners for saltpetre and gunpowder. Petitioner being at Beverley for making saltpetre for his Majesty's service, and having no conveyance but by sea to send his petre to the storehouse, in December last, shipped aboard the "Providence of Hull" for a pretended voyage to London, Richard Wood being master, two hogsheads of saltpetre, which were cast away on New Year's Day at Yarmouth. Prays relief.

Vol. 352. April, 1637. Minutes of the proceedings of a "curia capitalis," with a view of frank-pledge, for the Lordship of Raby, Co. Durham. Thomas Emerson sued for 19s. 1d. for a gown cloth to his wife.

Vol. 372, Nos. 53 and 54. June, 1637. Officers of the Ordnance to Montjoy, Earl of Newport, Master of Ordnance, touching the distribution of Counties to the saltpetremen, and the proportions to be brought in by them. Francis Emerson, Shropshire and other counties, 8cwt. Francis Emerson, transferred to York.

Vol. 370. Oct., 1637. Francis Emerson to work York, for making saltpetre.

Vol. 367, Nos. 71 and 72. Sept., 1637. Francis Emerson, of Cottenham, entered into recognizance of £20 for the appearance of John Howell and Thomas Badcock, before the Council.

Vol. 381, No. 21. Feb., 1637—38. Notes of business to be transacted by the Lords of the Admiralty. To consider Emerson's petition touching saltpetre.

Vol. 387. April, 1638. Lords of the Admiralty to Sir Thomas Miller. Complaint from divers Justices of the Peace in Cheshire against Francis Emerson, deputy saltpetreman.

Vol. 388. April, 1638. Sir Thomas Milward, Chief Justice of Cheshire to Sec. Coke. Report of complaint against Mr. Emerson, and Mr. Emerson's answer.

Vol. 392. June, 1638. Letter from Chief Justice of Chester, touching Francis Emerson.

Vol. 373, No. 83. Dec., 1637. Letter of Francis Emerson to Samuel Cordwell, powder-master to His Majesty.

Vol. 378, No. 37. January, 1637—38. Grant to Edward Manning of the Manors of Bradbury and Hilton, Co. Durham, for 979 years at the rent of £550, and the covenants contained in a grant by King James in the 14th year of his reign to Thomas Emerson for 1000 years.

March, 1653. Warrants of the Council of State. Licence for John Emerson, merchant, of London, to import flax.

Chas. I., Vol. 352, No. 63. Lordship of Raby with its members. Capital Court with view of frank pledge, etc., held at Staindrop, 12 Ap., 1637. Jo. Willson complains of Robt. Graves in plea. Robt. Denis, attorney for Rob. Markendell, of Barnardcastle, complains of Rob. Kirkham, of Staindrop, in plea of debt. vij.s. j.d. . . . . The same complains of Tho. Emerson, of Shotton, for a gowne Cloath to his wife. xix.s. j.d. . . . . Tho. Emerson complains of Tho. Watson in plea of debt for "lennt money." xxxix.s. xj.d. The same complains of the same in a similar plea for a load of oates and for part of a greater sum. xiij.s. . . . . Christopher Allanson complains of Thomas E. in plea of debt, being his third servant, for detaining his wages due at Whitsuntide, 1635. xij.s. vj.d. . . .

Jas. I., Vol. 66, No. 29. In Lent last, discoursing of divers matters with Mr. Emerson at his house in little St. Helen's of contracts and country affairs, amongst other things speaking of my L. of Northumberland, and some of his affairs and "quelquechoses," I cast out a word of a man pretended who should have made my L. his heir, and whom my L. should have gone to meet about Highgate, upon Persyes conference wth. him at Sion, the next day, wch. was when the Parliament house should have been blown up. Mr. Emerson answered me suddenly, sitting then by his fire, "Whitlocke I have hearde speake of such a man." After my imprisonment at Westminster, last sommer, I met Mr. E. again in Westminster, where I told him of the former passage at his house, and when he acknowledged it, I added plainly that I thought I should call him to avow so much before the King and the Council. He seemed somewhat troubled thereat; but we were interrupted, and so parted. Soon after, I lying at the K. Head at Lambeth, Mr. E. came to me, where I urged him, as before. He desiring not to be pressed on the point, I replied that I thought it would prove necessary, both for his Maty. and the service of the state, and also to justify myself, I having alleged so much of my own knowledge from his Lp., who stiffly denied any such thing. But if he could give me any light and make as much appear by others, I said I did not desire to bring him to examination; whereupon he gave me to understand somewhat of Sr. Joseline Percy and what he thought of Mr. Martin, Henego Jhones and others. And so he departed. Now, lately, not having seen him for a long time, I spoke to him again and pressed him on the same point. He acknowledged at several times and places, and lastly on the Exchange, on the 27th of Sept. present, that Whitlocke had not only said to him that he had my L. life in his hands, and that he knew that my L. was to be away from Parliament on that day and occasion, but that my L. of Westmerland called. had told him that Whitlocke had said as much to him of his hand over the Earl, and likewise of the Earl's absence that day, and, moreover, that Mr. Heriott said he knew that Percye's business wth. the Earl the day before was to that purpose, as the Earl said, but that he meant not to go. Yrs. to command, Tim. Elks. 29 Sept., 1611.

Vol. 83, No. 26. May it please your honour, I have

here-enclosed sent you the letter which I showed you yesterday, and another letter wh. I received 4 days before, whereby you may see what "havocke and spoile" is made of the deer at Brancepeth, for they are shamefully "kiled and stolne," not only by strangers, but even by the servants of those lewd fellows whom Emerson keeps there as keepers of the parks to serve his turn and be instruments of his designs. . . . Your honor's most humble, HE. SANDERSON. The 12th of Nov., 1615.

Vol. 83, No. 26 I. The next day after you went away Emerson took possession of most of the houses in this town and Stockley for the use of my Lo. of Somerset, namely, of those who are out of lease and not agreed with him, amongst wh. he came to old Dame Ripons, and went in to the garth and pulled up a docken and took witness that he took possession thereof for my Lo. Somerset. He hath told some of the tenants that they are fineable for every hour they have stayed in the house since he took possession, wh. he did to terrify them, with divers other things for that purpose, as lying and swearing, etc. He protests that he wishes Mark Coming and George Wilkinson as well as any 2 men in the lordship, but surely without reason, for they disliked his proceedings: but to stop Mark's mouth he lends him £100 for a year, sells him part of his father's farm into his own, etc. Wilkinson does not yield, although he has received many favours from Emerson. There has been much ado about catching deer in the East park: about 30 were taken, whereof some were killed "presently," and some sore hurt. About 17 days ago they were catching all day, but they only took 3. Since then they have ceased because it was told Emerson that 60 deer had got into Halliwell's grounds. I saw 12 or 13 near the house wh. E. has sold in this town for 1020 years fine or purchase. On Friday night he (E.) went to Barnard Castle very suddenly. . . . . SA. SANDERSON. Brancepeth Castle, 26 Oct., 1615.

Vol. 83, No. 26 II. Emerson used the tenants here so vilely and basely with threatening words and damnable oaths and unreasonable demands for their houses and farms that it seems strange to all the country, for of Jo. White, whose rent is only 4s., he demanded £20, etc., etc. . . . SA. SANDERSON. Brancepeth Cast'e, 31 Oct., 1615.

P.S.— . . . . Rathburn came down post to Emerson on Wednesday last to Barnard Castle, and E. got that night to Richmond about 12 o'clk. at night.

Vol. 83, No. 37. An overture touching his Matie's service, and for the good of the Cuntrie and people within the Bishopric of Durham:—(1) That careful provision be forthwith had for the prevention of the practices and conspiracies of obstinate and dangerous recusants in those parts, the rather because of late some of the principal have received animation by one Emerson, employed in those parts for the Earl of Somerset. . . . . (5) That Thos. E. be commanded to deliver up his commission which he lately had from sd. Earl of Somerset for settling his lordship's estate of the "sometimes Westmorland's possessions," and the same to be perused, and he forthwith be caused to make an account of the various sums of money he has received, etc. . . . HE. SANDERSON. The 16 Nov., 1615.

Vol. 83, No. 59. No particulars whatever about Emerson.

Vol. 103, No. 88. Thomas Emerson, Esq., appointed steward of the two lordships of Rabie and Brancepeth. Fleet street, London, 13 Nov., 1618.

Vol. 168, No. 51. No particulars whatever given of Emerson. 27 June, 1624.

Vol. 173, No. 109. No particulars at all about Edw. Emerson. 28 Oct., 1624.

Periodicals and County Hist. Abstracts.

HISTORY OF THE HUNDRED OF LOUNDITCH, NORFOLK. BY G. A. CARTHEW.

Part III., p. 446. Wesenham or Weasenham. Church of St. Peter. Monumental Inscriptions. In the Nave Floor are Stones inscribed to—Jacob Emerson, Gt., 26 Sept., 1804, aged 80. Mary, his wife, 30 Nov., 1818, aged 97. A Mural Marble Tablet on the North Wall to same persons.

A SHORT CALENDAR OF THE FEET OF FINES FOR NORFOLK. BY WALTER RYE.

Part II., p. 345. 38 Edw. III. 1203. John Emmessone, of Fyncham, v. John atte Yate, of Fincham, and Juliana, his wife, in Fyncham.

SOME ROUGH MATERIALS FOR A HISTORY OF HUNDRED OF NORTH ERPINGHAM. BY WALTER RYE.

Part II., p. 538. Subsidy Roll, 14 Chas. II. $\frac{14}{85}$. In Northrepps. Allen Emerson, 5s., payd and acquitted.

Part II., p. 540. Subsidy Roll, 15 Chas. II., $\frac{14}{686}$. Northreppe, xv.li. viij.s. Allen Emmerson, xx.s. viij.s.

Part II., p. 554. Hearth Tax Roll, 24 Chas. II., $\frac{14}{417}$. Northreppe. Allyn Emerson, 3.

MONUMENTAL INSCRIPTIONS IN THE HUNDRED OF HOLT, IN CO. NORFOLK. COLLECTED BY WALTON N. DEW. EDITED AND INDEXED BY WALTER RYE.

Page 62. Gunthorpe Church. (12.) Near the Porch are deposited the Remains of John Towne, of King's Lynn, Gent., who, by his Last Will, gave to the Poor of this Parish Ten Pounds, etc., etc. He died 19 Dec., 1777, aged 62. His two Sisters, Mary Emerson and Sarah Scott, have erected this Monument to his Memory. . . . .

Page 90. Langham Churchyard. (29.) Mary Emerson, d. Febry. 12th, 1720—22. Aged 76. (30.) John Emerson, d. Novr. 9th, 1719. Aged 80. . . . .

Page 134. Swanton Novers Churchyard. (49.) Mary Emmerson, d. April 13th, 1782. Aged 61. Mary Emmerson, d. May 5th, 1782. Aged 19. Elizabeth Emmerson, d. June 23rd, 1813. Aged 79. John Emmerson, d. June 6th, 1818. Aged 85.

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Yorks Archæolog. and Topograp. Association Journal, Vol. III., p. 117. Register of Mar. in York Minster. April 14, 1748. Thomas Turner, of Sherburne, and Elizabeth Emmerson, of Pigburn, par. of Brodsworth (Lic.). P. 121: 22 Jan., 1748—49. Geo. Emerson, of Kirkby Misperton, and Eliz. Ellerby, of ye same place (Lic.).

Salt Archæological Society Collections, Vol. I., Black Book of the Exchequer, A.D. 1166. Gervasii Paganilli. P. 197: Paganus de Emberton, 1 f. m. This fee was Emberton in Buckinghamshire, held of the Barony of Dudley by a family of the same name for many generations. Vol. IX., p. 86: The will of Margery Pinkney, of Stokesby, spinster, dated 29 Jan., 1650, mentions Leonard Emerson, of Melsonby.

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The Yorkshire Archæological and Topographical Association, Record Series. Vol. I., Calendar of Inquisitions Post-Mortem. 10 Car.: Emerson, William. Court C., Ble. 22, No. 150. Yorkshire Wills. Register Wotton. 186: Emmerson, Chris., of Barton-in-the-Street. Dated 15 Jan., 1657. Anne E. relict. Vol. IV., York Registry. Emerson, Will., bur. Easington, Sept. 8, 1636. Vol. II., Feet of Fines of the Tudor Period. P. 24: 1511. Easter Term, 3 Hen. VIII. John Heron, esq., and George Emerson *v.* John Hargrave and Johanna his wife. Manor of Rysome with lands, etc., in Rysome and Hollinton. P. 30: 1516. Mich. Term, 8 Hen. VIII. William Conyers de Conyers, knt., John Raughton, clerk, William Thorpe, chaplain, Robert Clereget and Simon Emerson, *v.* John Glenne, etc. Manors of Thwyng and Octon, and 50 messuages with lands in the same, and in Swathorp, Kyllom and Langtoft. P. 307: Thomas Abbot and John Wylfeld *v.* John Emerson and Ann his wife. Lands in Howden. No. 270: The will of Thomas Maddison, of Fulstrope, in the parish of Trusthorpe, 29 June, 1583. My son-in-law, Robert Emerson. Vol. II., No. 155: The will of Edward Kinge, of Ashby, Delaland, 1614. Cottages in the occupation of Thomas Emerson and others.

Selden Society Publications, Vol. VI., Pleas in the Court of Admiralty. P. 220, No. 66: Harwood *v.* Emerson, 1540. File 11, No. 16. Libel. Spoil in the King's Chamber. Richard Harwood, of Calais, mercenary soldier, owner of the ship John Baptist, of London, against George Emerson, otherwise commonly called Capt. George, of Ermew, in the county of Zeland.

Miscellania Genealogica et Heraldica. Vol. I., New Ser. P. 138: Nicholas Wilkinson (*ob.* ante 1640), and son of Lawrence Wilkinson, of Harpley House, par. Lanchester, by Dorothy his second wife, da. and co-heir of Ralph Emerson,* of Westgate Castle, in Weardale, Co. Durham, Esq. Vol. II., Ser. 2. List of the principal Inhabitants of London, 1640, pp. 70—71. St. Gregorie's by St. Paul Parishe. ffulke Emerson, Jasper Emerley. Vol. III., Ser. 2, p. 273: Register of Bramfield, Co. Suffolk. Baptisms, 1770, Jan. 24, Ann Emerson, of Ezekial and Lydia. * Ralf of Witton Gilbert, yeoman.—P. H. E.

The Reliquary, Vol. VIII., p. 47: Fynney of Fynney. James Fynney, nat. 14 Feb., 1651. Married twice, first to —— Davison, and second, Jane Newhouse, a widow, who subsequently re-married Anthony Emerson. Vol. II., p. 91: Extracts from the Registers of Drypool, E. Riding of Yorkshire. Burials, 1795, Oct. 15. Mary, wife of Wm. Emmerson. Abraham, s. of Wm. Emmerson. Isaac, s. of Wm. Emmerson. Jacob, s. of Wm. Emmerson. All buried in one coffin. Vol. XVI., p. 107: A Nottinghamshire Armory. Emmerton* of (Thrumpton). Vert on a bend, or, three lions passant guardant of field. Crest: A demi-lion rampant vert, grasping in both paws a battle-axe gules, headed argent. Vol. XXI., p. 218: The MS. memorand of George Mower, of Barley Woodseats, Co. Derby. Mr. Alexandre Emerson, of Redford, died of smal poc, January, 1745. * If this grant be genuine it is merely Ralf of Foxton's coat, with "differences," and should never have been allowed to any Emerton, who are no more related to the Emersons than are the Bashi-Bazouks.—P. H. E.

Genealogist, Vol. II., New Series. P. 146: On Monday, 12 Sept., 1720, Mr. Wm. Emerson, Keeper of the Park Gate, was thrown of his horse by a Gent. Coach, who run over him and dyed.

Yorks. Archæological and Topographical Journal, Vol. V. Public Record Office, Lay Subsidies, West Riding, Co. York No. ***, Poll Tax Ao. Richard II. Wappintagium de Tykhill, Villata de Maltby. Robertus Emmeson, iiij.d. Willelmus Emmeson and Alicia vx. ejus, Taylour, vj.d. Johanna filia ejus, iiij.d. Jacobus serviens ejus, iiij.d. No Emersons.

London and Middlesex Archæological Society, Vol. IV., p. 278: Notes of the Church and Parish of Monken Hadley.* The date of the earliest register is 1619, when a book was given for the purpose by Thomas Emerson or Emersom, esq., then lord of the manor, who became a great benefactor to the church in the same year. He died June 18, 1624. * *Vide* Hist. of Surrey Emersons.—P. H. E.

Norfolk Antiq. Miscellany Vol. I., p. 202. Musters at Lynn in 1573. Dom. State Papers, Vol. XCIV., No. 12. In the warde of Robert Buntinge, Alderman, John Emersone.

East Anglian, Vol. I. Essex Wills No. 4, p. 388: The will of Thomas Cartwright, Bishop of Chester and Vicar of Barking, 1689. He mentions "ffree lands in Beckering," bought of Mr. Emerson* at £10 per ann. Vol. III., p. 84: Extracts from Parish Registers. St. Lawrence, Norwich. Ye day of a great Blowe by powder in ye Citty. Charles Emerson executed on the Castle Deckes as one of the pretended mutineers, when the then Committee house was blown upp with 80 barryls of powder, Jan. 2, 1648—49. * Matthew Emerson (*Vide* Hist. of Surrey Emersons).

Journal of the Archæological Association, Vol. XL., 1884, p. 56: Paper on the Hospital of St. Bartholomew at Sandwich, by R. J. Emmerson.

Fenland Notes and Queries, Vol. I., p. 60: Records of Fenland Marriages, Feb. 12, 1796. At Lynn, William Chapman, merchant, to Miss Emerson, both of Boston. Vol. II., p. 162, 1857: Household expenses of Sir Francis Radcliffe, Bart. 1687, January, Wm. Wright, porter Brewer and baker, his halfe yeare's wages, due 11 Dec., £3; Mrs. Hellin Emerson, his wife, her halfe yeare's wages, due 28 June, £3.

Archæologia (Soc. of Antiquaries). Nil.

Archæologia Aeliana. Vol. III., p. 127, 1844: Market Cross at Durham. To the honer of Almighty God, the ornament of the City of Duresme and Comodite of the people frequenting the Market of Durham, the Market Crosse now there extant was framed with twelve Stone Pillars, and covered with Lead at the sole charges and expences of Thomas Emerson,* of the Black Fryers in London, Esquire, in the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred and seventeen, and in the 18th year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord James, by the Grace of God of England, France and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, etc. New Series, 1856. Vol. I., p. 209, 1657: Ralph Emerson, a witness to the will of Sir Edward Radclyffe, of Dilston, Co. Northumberland. * *Vide* Hist. of Surrey Emersons.—P. H. E.

Bristol and Gloucestershire Archæological Society. Transactions. Nil.

Bedfordshire Notes and Queries. Nil.

Cambridge Antiquarian Soc. Nil.

Northamptonshire Notes and Queries. Nil.

Yorks. Genealogist. Nil.

Lewisham Antiquarian Soc. Registers of St. Mary's,

Lewisham. Burials, 1588. Thomas Em* . . . . at Dartford.
* *Vide* Hist. of Kent Emersons.—P. H. E.

Middlesex County Records, Vol. II. Middlesex Sessions Rolls, p. 109 : 25 March, 13 James I. True Bill against John Dam alias Adam, yeoman, his wife Helen, William Champney, yeoman, Joan, wife of Christofer Emerson, cutler, and others, late of St. Andrew's in Holborn, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer on the said 25 of March, nor at any time during the three months then next following. G. D. R., 3 July, 13 James I. P. 166 : 6 May, 20 James I. Recognizances taken before George Goulman, Professor of Sacred Theology, and J.P., of William Gay, chandler, and Christopher Emerson, bandmaker, both of St. Andrew's-in-Holborn, and Christopher Wilmott, all three in the sum of £20 each, and Thomas Williams, of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, in the sum of £40. For the appearance of the said Thomas William at the next Session of the Peace for Middlesex. P. 6 : 10 March, 1 James I. True Bill against Ferdinand Emerson f r not going to church. P. 78 : 6 Jan., 1 James I. True Bill for not going to church against Ferdinand Emerson, cutler, and Joan his wife, and others of St. Andrew's, Holborn; and again, p. 106, on 20 Dec., 12 James I. ; also 25 June, 13 James I. P. 127 : 1 March, 14 James I. True Bill for not going to church against Ferdinando Emerson, cutler, his wife Susan (?) Emerson, and others. P. 128 : 25 March, 15 James I., the same against Ferdinand Emerson, Joan his wife, and others. P. 134 : 1 March, 15 James I. Against Ferdinand Emerson, cutler, and Helen his wife. P. 144 : Ferdinand Emerson, and Jane his wife. P. 236 : 3 May, 20 James I. Ferdinand E. and Jane his wife for Recusancy. P. 21 : Ralph Emerson and Isabella his wife, for recusancy ; and Susan Saul, wife of Ed. Saul. Vol. III., p. 181 : 12 May, 21 Chas. I. Recognizances, taken before Thomas Hubbert, Esq., J.P., of Christopher Clarke and Robert Benson, £10 each, and William Grannt, £20 For the said Grannt's appearance at the next S.P. for Middlesex, to be held at Hick's Hall, "to answer for assaulting and pumping of Margaret Emmerson upon the false report of a spiritt or inticer or inveagler of children from their parents, there being noe charge or accusation laid against her." Vol. IV., p. 198 : 25 January, 34 Chas. II. Ten certificates under the hand of Sir Rich. Derham, Knt. and Bart., and J.P. for Westminster, certifying that Timothy Emerson, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, oylman, and others, had been convicted of being present and assisting at conventicles held on days of the instant January or of the previous month in Westminster, under colour of exercising religion otherwise than according to the liturgy and use of the Church of England, and that they had been fined for the several offences in sums varying from £10 to £20. P. 200 : 25 Jan., 34 Chas II. Two certificates of Timothy Emerson, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, of having been present at two unlawful conventicles at a house in the Savoy on the 17 and 24 of Dec. Certifying also the imposition of two fines of £20 each on the said Timothy E. for his said two offences. P. 244 : 20 Sep., 36 Chas. II. Certificate of the conviction of Timothy Emerson of having been present at a conventicle at a meeting house in St. Mary le Savoy on the 17 Sept., at which conventicle three unknown persons preached and taught. He was fined 5s., and £9 15s. for the offence of the three unknown preachers. He appealed to the G.Q.S.P., and was acquitted by a jury.

Monthly Chronicle of North Country Lore. Vol. II., p. 217 : Picture of "Johnny Armstrong's Farewell," by H. Emmeson, 1886. Vol. III., p. 193 : Henry Hetherington Emmerson, born at Chester-le-Street, co. Durham, in 1831. He belongs to the family of which Emerson the philosopher and Emerson the mathematician were famous members. Though the names are spelt differently they all spring from Hurworth-on-Tees.* He is president of the Bewick Club. P. 495 : Lecture of Ralph Waldo Emerson at the Mechanics' Institute, Newcastle, on the 4th Feb., 1848. *Quite incorrect—*vide* Hist. of Durham Emersons. —P. H. E.

Oxford Historical Society. Oxford City Documents, 1268—1665. No. CVIII., 39 Eliz. (A.D. 1596—7) : Civitas Oxon. Particulari compoti Owini Jones, Fulkini Emerson, W. Potter et J. Birde, gen. collectores tercie et quarte, xv.me et x.me, xv.arum et x.arum domine Regine nunc Elizabethe a laicis anno regni sui xxxix., concessarum in civitate predicta. One membrane. [Bundle 163, No. 387.] Register of Exeter College, p. 62 : 17 Oct., 1562. Nomina commensalium M. Amerson,* etc., alteri consobrinus M. Grevell suggenarii plerique generosi nonnulli vero presbiteri. Adde etiam alium generosum M. Bygge, Farrant e Nelande. *Vide* Hist. of Warwickshire Emersons.—P. H. E.

Notes and Queries. Ser. VII., Vol. IV., p. 449 : Emerson. Thomas Emerson, of Foxton, Durham, went to New England in 1639.* His wife's name was Elizabeth. He had sons named Joseph, Nathaniel, James, Thomas† and John. He bore arms, Per fesse indented or and vert, on a bend eng. az. three lions pass. arg. Crest, a lion ramp. vert bezantée, grasping in both paws a battle-axe gu., headed arg., which are sculptured on the tomb of his son Nathaniel, who was buried in Ipswich, Mass. I am anxious to procure his lineage. Can any reader of Notes and Queries put me on the track? J. J. Latting, 36, Woburn Place, Russell Square. N. and Q., Dec. 3, 1887. * 1638. † No.—P. H. E. Grandson Thomas.

Thoresby Society. Add. Registers. Baptisms : July 24, William Emerson, son of Joseph, of Eccup, carpenter, born 6 May.

Parker Society. General Index, p. 296 : Emmerson (Marg. Van). Tyndale and Coverdale translate the Scriptures in her house at Hamburgh. 1 Tyn. xxxix.

Manchester Court Leet Records. Vol. V., p. 173 : 16 April, 1672. Hugh Emmerson. A new measure, halfe a quarterne, awantinge in. vj.d. Vol. IX., p. 132 : 27 Oct., 1797. For Beadles, Richard Cooke, sw., William Emmerson, sw.

The Northern Genealogist. 1895, Pt. I. Caistor Prebendal Court. Admons., p. 43 : Emerson, Alice, 1716 ; Emerson, Thomas, 1710. Newark-on-Trent, p. 46 : Parish Register. Civil Marriages. 1655. John Wood and Dorothy Emmerson. Durham, Marriage Bonds, p. 144 : Aug. 18, 1664. Tobias Heighington, of Newcastle, merchant, and Elizabeth Emmerson, spinster. Page 172 : Lincoln Mar. Licences. 1585, Aug. 31, Act Book. Beachame, Christ., of S. Elkington, and Jane Emerson, of Grymesbie [Marshchapele]. Kingerby Parish Register, co. Lincoln, p. 181 : 1645—6. Edward Emmerson was buried the twenty-third of Ffebruarye. Carlisle Marriage Bonds, p. 222 : 1711, May 24. Joseph Dickinson, of Garragill, parish Alston Moor, and Mary Emerson.

Genealogist. Vol. II., 1878, p. 334 : Notices of Books. Foley's History of the English Jesuits. Series 5 includes the memoirs of Richard Holtby, Ralph Emerson, etc. Vol. II., New Series, 1885, p. 146 : Mawson's Obits. On Munday, 12th September, 1720, Mr. Wm. Emerson, Keeper of the Park Gate, was thrown off his Horse by a Gent. Coach, who run over him and dyed. Vol. IV., 1888, p. 37 : Weddings at St. Mary le Strand. Aug. 16, 1607. William Emerson and Eliz. Vegleman, by lycence from the fac. Vol. VI., p. 46 : Index to Chancery Proceedings. (35) Barron v. Emerson, et al. Ble. B. 3. Page 79 : (28) Browne v. Emerson, et al. Ble. B. 9. Page 83 : (64) Browker, ar., v. Emerson, ar. Ble. B. 14. Vol. VII., p. 97 : Weddings at St. Saviour's, Southwark. 14 June, 1614. Richard Emerson and Jane frederick. Vol. VIII., p. 125 : Weddings at St. Saviour's, Southwark. 9 May, 1620. David Jones and Sara Emerson. Page 181 : Roll of Arms* relating to the County of Northumberland. Emmerson, of Hexham, Azure on a bend or, 3 Tortauxes. *No date is given to this roll, and I can trace no Emersons of Northumberland entitled to these arms, though John, of Newcastle, merchant adventurer, illegally *used them*. This, probably, was one of his descendants.—P. H. E.

British Record Society, aft. Index Society. Index of Royalists whose Estates were confiscated during the Commonwealth : 1652. Robert Emerson, of Ludwel, co. Durham. Leyden Students : Emmerson, Gulielmus, Anglus, 22 Oct., 1691. Obituary Notices for 1881 : Emerson (George Barrel), Botanist, b. at Wells, Me., Sept. 12, 1797, d. at Boston, Mass., Mar. 4. 1882 : Emerson (Ralph Waldo), Author and Poet, b. at Sumner Street, Boston, Mass., May 25, 1803, d. at Concord, Mass., April 27.

Genealogica Bedfordiensia, by F. A. Blaydes. Page 440 : The will of Laurence Sanderson, of Tempsford, gent., dated 10 Sept., 1676, mentions his sister Susan, wife of Matthew Emerson,* of Bluntsham, co. Hunts., gent. Proved at Bedford, 14 Mar., 1677. * *Vide* Emersons or Embersons, of co. Hunts.

Chetham Society. Lancashire and Cheshire Wills, etc., by the Rev. G. J. Piccope. Vol. II., p. 264 : Oswolde Amerson,* a witness to the will of Anthony Molyneux, 1553. * *Vide* Hist. of Warwickshire Emersons.—P. H. E.

Surtees Society. Wills of the Northern Counties. Vol. I., p. 226 : Inventory of Lionell Emerson, of Hunter Banks, 25 May, 1564. Page 169 : Will of John Emson, clerk, vicar of Gretham, dated 1558, proved 1559. Page 222 : Cuthbert Em'son, mentioned in the will of Edmund Bean, parson of Stanhope, 1564. Page 246 : Edmond Em'son, mentioned in the will of Thomas Wrangham, clerk, 1565. Page 275 : John Em'son, mentioned in the will of John Fetherstone, 1567. Page 331 : Lancelot emrson mentioned in the will Thomas Nevell, of Rabie, 1570. Page 332 : John Emrson, of Shotton, also mentioned in the will of T. N. Page 420 : Raphe Eamerson, mentioned in the will of Leonard Temperleye, 1577. Page 365 : Robert Emberson, mentioned in the will of John Wilkinson, of Newcastle,

1571. Vol. II., p. 99: Durham Wills. Emerson, William, of the Brotherlye, in the parish of Stannop, yeoman, 1584.

Testamenta Karolensia. By R. S. Ferguson. Nil.

Northampton and Rutland Wills. 1590—7—1602: Emerson, Hugh, Cosgrove. W. 286. 1591—1594, 1601—1604, 1610—1615: Emmerson, Christopher, Cosgrove. Book Y., 200.

Norfolk Antiquarian. Miscellany, p. 202. Musters at Lynn in 1573. John Emerson.

Lichfield Wills, etc., Series 3: 1544, Amerson, Wm., vicar of Solihull, 21; 1557, Amerson, Thomas, 113; 1560, Amerson, Thomas, 8. Series 4: 1593, Amison, Thomas ad., 85; 1601, Emerson, William and Felix ad., 51; 1608, Emerson, John ad., 37; 1616, Emerson, John, 187; 1622, Emerson, Thomas ad., 151. Series 5: 1650, Emerson, Oswald, Coventry, ad.

Berkshire Wills, etc. 1553—73, Amorson, Paul, New College, Oxford, F. 56; 1632, Emerson, Giles, Newbury, ad., 232 ii.

Somerset Wills, by Rev. F. Brown. Thomas Emerson, mentioned in the will of John Farewell, of Holbrook, Somerset, Esq. Proved 30 Oct., 1616. Cope 96. (?) Married Gertrude Strange, of Bristol, 1623 (Gloucester Visitation). "Thomas Emerson, my successor, in my late office of Philizership."* * An officer in the Common Pleas, who filed (from *filium*, a thread) writs.—P. H. E.

Calendar of Ipswich Wills. F. A. Crisp. Nil.

Gloucestershire Wills, by Phillimore and Duncan. Index Society. 1603, Emerson, Richard, Horton. Will lost, cannot be found at registry.—P. H. E.

Abstracts of Wills from Register Wootton, 1658, by W. Brigg. Fol. 31: The will of Thomas Emmerson, of Kelvedon, Co. Essex, carpenter. Dated 18 Jan., 1654. Fol. 31: The will of Thomas Embersonne, of Kelvedon Co. Essex, carpenter. Dated 12 Sept., 1651. Fol. 33: The will of Edward Emison, of Lee, Co. Essex, yeoman. Dated 10 Sept., 1652. Fol. 6: Francis Emerson,* executor to the will of Dorothy Brown, spinster, of London. Dated 23 of July, 1657. * Francis Emerson, citizen and clothworker of London, and parishioner of Trinity Par., London, next Great Trinity lane.—P. H. E.

History of Gloucestershire, by the Rev. T. Rudge, 1803. Vol. II., p. 315: Hanham Hall is the property of James Emerson, Esq.

Historical Collections relating to the co. of Gloucester, by Ralph Bigland, 1791. Vol. I., p. 84: Inscriptions on head stones in Cold Ashton churchyard. Thomas Emerson, died 3 July, 1736, aged 66.

Some account of London, by Thomas Pennant, Esq., 1805. Page 42: Against a wall is a singular diminutive figure, one foot three inches long, said to represent a dwarf, one William Emerson, who died 1575, *æt.* 92. He is represented half naked, much emaciated, lying in his shroud on a mat; most neatly cut. Remarkable Epitaphs.

An Essay towards the History of Norfolk, by Francis Blomefield. Vol. II., p. 338: Vicars of Great Carbrook. 1522, 27 June. John Emyson. Lapse. Page 462: Vicars of Wicklewood. 1541. John Emyson. Vol. III., p. 449: Norwich in the time of George II. In 1739, Oct. 30, being the King's birthday, war was proclaimed against Spain by the court on horseback in six different parts of the city; the two sheriffs appeared then first with their gold chains on, which were given by Tho. Emerson, of London, a native of this city, to be worn by the sheriffs for the time being; they cost 100 guineas each. Vol. IV., p. 256: Norwich. 1730, Mr. Charles Emerson gave £50, the annual interest of which is to bind out a poor child of this parish yearly; he is buried here. Vol. VII., p. 350: Burnham or Bromham Hall. In the 29th of Edw. III. William de Bursale, John Emmeson, etc., held a court in right of some part of this manor. Vol. VIII., p. 16: Rectors of Hadescoe. 1550, Jeffrey Emerson, A.M. Vol. IX., p. 169: A little beneath Magdalen fall, on Marshland side, there was found, about 16 foot within soyle, a gravestone; Mr. Emerson, from whom (says Gybbon Goddard, Esq., died 1671) I had this relation, was the man that employed the workmen.

Miscellanea Genealogica et Heraldica. New Series. Vol. I., p. 138: Barbara, dau. of John Sotheron, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, married, 1621, at Ebchester, co. Durham, to Nicholas Wilkinson (*ob. ante* 1640, and s. of Lawrence Wilkinson, of Harpley House, par. Lanchester, by Dorothy, his 2nd wife, dau. and co-heiress of Ralph Emerson, of Westgate Castle, in Weardale, co. Durham, Esq.). Vol. II., p. 208: Emerson. Thomas Emerson and Elizabeth, his wife, with children, John, Joseph, Nathaniel, James, and Thomas, emigrated to New England about 1638, and settled at Ipswich, Mass., where Nathaniel died on 29 Dec., 1712, aged 83 years. At his grave in the old Burial Ground at that place a monument was erected, and still exists, bearing a coat of arms identical with that granted to Ralph Emerson, of Foxton, co. Durham, in 26th year of Henry VIII. This leads to the inference that Thomas Emerson, above named, was of the Durham family. Can any correspondent refer me to a pedigree showing the emigrant's relationship to this family.—J. L. L. Second Series. Vol. II., p. 71: List of principal inhabitants of London, 1640. St. Gregorie's (by St. Paul) Parishe—ffulcke Emerson.

Genealogical Gleanings in England, by H. J. Waters. P. 193: The will of Richard Bowmer, of the parish of St. Saviour's, Southwark, co. Surrey, Innholder, dated 1598. To Richard Emmerson, son of William Emmerson, five shillings. To Richard, son of Humphrey Emmerson, five shillings. P. 286: Pedigree of Bulkeley. Elizabeth, dau. of the Rev. Edw. Bulkeley, married Rev. Joseph Emerson, 1665.

Yorkshire Wills at Somerset House: 186. Wooton. Emmerson, Chris., clarke, 15 Jan. 1657. Administrator, Anne Emmerson, relict.

Record Society, Vol. IV. Chester Wills, etc. Emmerson, Hugh, of Nantwich. Inv., 1638.

Cumberland and Westmoreland Antiq. Soc. Trans. IX., p. 70. Parish of Seberghan. 1782, July 21. Dickey, son of John Emerson, of Hartrigg, farmer, and Mary, his wife, bap.

Huguenot Society's Proceedings. Emerson, Nicholas, from the Dominion of the Emperor, 28 Jan., 1577 (Pat. 19 Eliz., p. 3, m. 38). In these proceedings I find, among references to Strangers' wills at Norwich—1665, Emerson, vid., de Yaremutha, 18 Stockdell. 1670, Emerson, Henricus, de Pa-ton, Wiseman. 1714, Emerson, Margareta, de Waborne, 95. [You have these, I think, but the reference in this place shows that they were strangers.—J. P. S.]

John Emerson bought part of the Manor of Walsingham, Co. Durham, 24th March, 1648, for £406 13s. 4d. (Sale of Bishop's Lands). See also Nich. Col. Her., Gen. and Top. I., 284. Richard Emerson bought the manor and Castle of Riccards, Castle Hereford, with another person, for £949 2s. 3½d., 28 Sep., 1648. Property near Maidenhead, granted 1606, Thomas Emerson and William Bennett (Nich. Col. Top. Gen. VI., 67). Sir Anthony Percy, Lord Mayor of Dublin, married Mary, daughter of Arthur Emerson, of Dublin, gent., 1699(?) (Nich. Col. Top. Gen. VI., 282).

Geoffrey Emerson, A.M. 1540, Cole's MS. 14, p. 3; Add. MS., Brit. Mus., 5815.

Registers of Frostenden, Suffolk. Jan. 21, 1787, Robert, son of Robert Emerson, and Mary his wife, late Mary Garrard, bapt. Jan. 28, 1789, Robert, son of Robert Emerson, and Mary his wife, late Mary Garrard, an infant buried. Gulpho, Suffolk, none. Greenstead, Suffolk, none.

New England Plantation and Church Registers at Fulham Palace, London. (Massachusetts was in Bishop of London's diocese.) The majority dated 1699—1725. No Emersons.

D'Ewes' Abstracts of Norfolk Wills, 1370—1637. No Emersons.

General Plantagenet Harrison's Indexes.

CORAM REGE ROLLS, ETC., ETC. (22 VOLS.)

Durham Cursitor's Records, Bdle. 169. Robert Emryson, on a jury at Bishop's Auckland, 19 June, 9 Hen. VII. [1494].

Feet of Fines, Co Durham. 5 Aug. 16 Chas. II. [1664]. Between Anthony Surtes, quer., and William Emerson, gent., and Isabella his wife; and Rd. Blakeston, gent., and Margaret his wife, defcts.; land in the Park of Ryton, 100 marks of silver.

Subsidy Roll, $\frac{12}{3}$, 6 Edw. III. [1332], Co. Lanc. Inskip cum Soureby, Will. Emmeson, 3s. 6d.

Durham Cursitor's Books, No. 17. At Wolsingham, 3 Feb., 3 Bp. William , Richard Emryson, son of Agnes, d. and co-heir of Adam Rogerly, took lease of a piece of land called Bewedaleleys, containing 11¼ acres, which the said Adam held.

Coram Rege Roll, 13 Edw. IV. [1473], Easter, memb. 74 dors. Northton, Rich. Salkeld *v.* George Nanell, late of Barnard Castle, Co. Durham, yeoman, etc., etc., Robt. Todde, of Lanchester, Co. Durham, yeoman, John Emmerson, of Stanhope-park, yeoman, Rowland Emmerson, of Stanhope-park, Ralph Emmerson, of Stanhope-park, junr., yeom., Ralph Emmerson, of Estyate, parish of Stanhope, senr., yeo., Roger Emmerson, of Pounfalde house, parish of Stanhope, yeom., James Emmerson, of Burnhopshely in sd. parish, yeoman, and others, fined for trespass.

Coram Rege Roll, Mich., 17 Edw. IV., memb. 65. Order for arrest (*inter alia*) of John Emereson, late of Yafford, Co. York, yeom., to answer suit of Margaret, widow of William Vykers, concerning the death of her said late husband.

Fine Trin., 55 Geo. III., No. 820. Mr. Rob. Jaques, plt., and Arthur Emerson and Margaret his wife, defts. Lands in Richmond [? Co. York].

Fine Mich., 18 Chas. II. Between John Phillips, clerk, and Marc. Emerson, etc., land in Woodsetts.

Hil. 1774, 92 Yorks (Recovery). Alexander Emerson, Esq., and his wife, to Robert Baxter, of a moiety of the Manor of Grisby otherwise Grisley, with appurts.

Recovery, 12 Jas. I., 1614, Mich. York. Thomas Emerson,* Esq., and Nicholas Phillips, gent., *versus* Robert Earl of Somerset. The Castle of Barnard and Manor of Barnard Castle, Marwood Parcar, Percebrugg, Headlam, Teasdale, Marwoodhagge, Newsham, Gainford, Lingnewton, Middleton, Newbigging. Westowick, Whorlton, Langton and Marlwood, with the Forest and Chase of Teasdale, land in the above place, and the advowson of the Church of Middleton in Teasdale. * Thos., of Bradbury and Hilton manors (Southwark family, *q.v.*).

Judgment Roll, Durham, 12 James I., memb. 4. Thomas Emerson, Esq., and Nicholas Phillipps, gent., *v.* Robt. Earl of Somerset. The Castles of Brancepeth, Raby and Barnard, and many manors, etc. Called to warranty Edmund Neville, Esq., alias Earl of Westmoreland.

De Banco Rolls.

Emerson. References taken from General Plantagenet Harrison's Indexes to the De Banco Rolls.

Ebor. Mich., 17 Hen. VII. (1502), Roll 186. Thomas Martin, by George Emerson his attorney, *versus* Thomas Aslaghby, *re* half of 4 messuages and land in Marton and Tollesby, as to his right and inheritance, etc.

Ebor. Trin., 28 Edw. I. (1300), memb. 210 dors. (Roll 134). Thomas fil. Adam Emerson appoints as his attorney Adam de Burton against William de Clouehern and Berlecta his wife, on a plea of trespass.

Linc. Mich., 6 Edw. III., memb. 63 dors. Robert, son of Robert Emmeson, *versus* Henry, Bp. of Lincoln, and Geoffrey Wylkok, of Nova Lafford; 3 a. of land, etc., in Everyngton, etc.

Linc. Mich., 7 Edw. III.. memb. 323 dors. Robert, s. of Robert Emmeson, *v.* William de Kyme, of Old Lafford, and Alice his wife, and William, son of William of Kyme, and Johanna his wife; 6 a. of land, 4 a. of meadow, 10 a. of pasture, etc., in Querington and Old Lafford and Kirkebylaythorp, which John de Kyme, of New Lafford, gave to Robert Emmeson and the heirs begotten of his body.

Robert Emmeson = seized *temp.* Edw. II. |

Robert Emmeson, s. and hr., the plaintiff.

Notts. Mich., 17 Edw. III., memb. 148. Roger Deyncourt, Kt., and Matilda his wife, Alan de Neweson, Alice fil. John Emmeson de Welhagh, defdts. in a plea of debt.

Ebor. Hil., 48 Edw. III., memb. 20. Margaret Hird, of Ryth, in Swaledale, against Thomas Emmesson, of Huddeswell, and Johanna his wife, concerning lands and tenements in Huddeswell.

Exchequer of Pleas. Trin., 4 James I. (1608), memb. 51. Bartholomew Emerson, of Walworth, Co. Durham, *versus* Edward Thursby and Francis Newby; plea of trespass and ejectment.

Ebor. De Banco Roll, 8 Edw. IV., or 47 Hen. VI., memb. 6. William Fitzwilliam, Kt., late Sheriff of York, *v.* William Emmerson, late of Thweng, in the said Co., yeoman, and others, £6 debt.

Ebor. Easter, 14 Hen. VII., memb. 170 dors. Percival Lambton and others *v.* John, Prior of Newburgh, in the said Co., Roger Chomeley, late of Cotingham, in said Co., gent., James Greenwood, of Thirk, yeoman, William Emerson, of Thornton-on-the-Hill, yeoman, Thomas Dent, of the same, yeoman, and others, for forcible entry into the plaintiff's close at Thornton on the Hill; and depasturing of cattle. Damage, £30.

Notts. Hil., 15 Hen. VII., memb. 419 dors. George Emerson is attorney for Sir Wm. Mering, Knt.

Ebor. Trin., 17 Hen. VII., memb. 480 dors. George Emerson, attorney for Rd. Eryngton.

Northumberland. Trin., 23 Hen. VII., memb. 82. Geo. Emerson, attorney for John Middleton and his wife.

Ebor. De Banco Common Roll. Mich., 2 Hen. VIII., m. 633. George Emerson, attorney for Anthony Smith, Esq.

Ebor. Hil., 7 Hen. VIII., memb. 568. George Emerson gave the King 6s. 8d. for a licence granted to him with John Bushe, senior, and Johanna, his wife, Robert Warrant and Isabella, his wife, and Katherine Cheperfeld, 3 parts of 4 messuages, 60 a. of land, 4 a. of meadow, 6 a. of pasture, 2 a. of wood, etc., in Ugyele, Bierden, Bolyngton and Stanstede Montfichet.

Ebor. Easter, 23 Hen. VIII., m. 196 dors. George Cecill *versus* Edmund Emerson and Isabella, his wife, d. and hr. of Adam Wilberfosse, 1 messuage, in disrepair, etc., in Hoveden.

* N.B.—This should be Essex, not York (Ebor.). *Vide* Notes.—P. H. E.

Notes on the previous abstracts, by Miss E. Walford, who collated the original records for me.

Trin., Edw. I., 28 mem. 210 dors. (Roll 134). The name given by Genl. Plantagenet Harrison as Emmerson is unmistakeably Gunneson. Thomas fil. Adam Gunneson.

Easter, 14 Hen. VII., mem. 170 dors. (Roll 948). The Roll itself gives no further particulars whatever of William Emerson.

Common Roll. Easter, 23 Hen. VIII. (Roll 82), mem. 196 dors. Ebor. George Cecill, by Wm. Danby, his atty., *v.* Edward Emerson and Isabella, his wife, daughter and heir of Adam Wilberfosse, for ceasing to do the customary services to the pltff. for a mess. and appurts. in Hoveden, held of pltff. as of his Manor of —— (*sic*) by fealty, and 2s. annual rent, and for which the said Adam Wilberfosse did fealty in the time of Hen. VII. No judgment given.

Common Roll. Hil., 7 Hen. VIII. (Roll 26). This entry is wrongly quoted by Genl. P. H. as Ebor.: it should be Essex. Otherwise the quotation is an exact translation of the entry.

Exchequer Plea Roll. Trin., 4 Jas. I., mem. 51. Bartholomew Emerson, farmer of the King of certain lands and tents. in Shotton, co. Durham, by Wm. Hakewell, atty., sues Edward Thursby and Francis Newby. One Robert Bellarby, on March 14, 3 Jas. I., demised to pltff. at Walworth, co. Durham, 6 mess., 600 a. land, 600 a. meadow, 1200 a. pasture and 300 a. ling and furze in Walworth for 5 years. Bartholomew entered, and the defendants on the following 21st of March ejected pltff. forcibly. Damage, £100. No judgment given.

Court Rolls.

General Series, Portfolio 184, No. 47.

Croyland Abbey. View of frank pledge with a great court of Queen Eliz., held 2 April, 21 Eliz. [1579]. Robert Au.ton [or An.ton] fined 12d. for not keeping the hounds securely, to the damage of the neighbours. . . .

Court of Pleas held there on Friday, to wit, 24 Feb. 23 Eliz. Default of tenants. Robert Au.ton [or An.ton] fined 3d.

View of frank pledge, 15 Ap., 25 Eliz. William Averton and Joan, his wife, dau. and h. of Agnes Maninge, late the wife of Robert Maninge, deced., and prays to be admitted now, after the decease of the said Agnes, into 2 cottages lying in the south street of Croylande. [The name is here written in full and is distinctly Averton.]

Croyland: Ditto, held 30 Sept., 29 Eliz., 1587. Robert Averton surrenders 1 cottage in the east street of Croyland to the use of Thos. Averton and his heirs for ever, after the death of the said Rob. and Eliz., his wife. Afterwards mention is made of William Averton and Joan, his wife.

[Examined Court Rolls, General Series, Portfolio 184, Nos. 45—49 inclusive.]

Lay Subsidies.

Co. Durham.

35 Hen. VIII., $\frac{19^{s}}{2}$, $\frac{10^{s}}{4}$, nil. 37 Hen. VIII., $\frac{19^{s}}{2}$, nil. 3 Edw. VI., $\frac{19^{s}}{2}$, nil. 4 Edw. VI., $\frac{19^{s}}{2}$, nil. 2 and 3 Edw. VI., $\frac{19^{s}}{2}$, $\frac{19^{s}}{4}$, nil. 1 Eliz., $\frac{19^{s}}{2}$, nil. 19 Eliz., $\frac{19^{s}}{2}$, nil, 31 Eliz., $\frac{10^{s}}{11}$, nil. Eliz. or James (?), $\frac{10^{s}}{11}$, see Abstract. 10 James I., $\frac{10^{s}}{11}$, nil. 22 James I., $\frac{10^{s}}{11}$, $\frac{10^{s}}{11}$, see Abstract. 1 Chas. I., $\frac{10^{s}}{16}$, see Abstract. 4 Chas. I., $\frac{10^{s}}{11}$, see Abstract.

Elizabeth or James I. (?) $\frac{10^{s}}{11}$. A fragment of a roll of Assessment of a Subsidy upon the inhabitants within the County of Durham:—Ward of Stockton (?), Eastyat: Georgius Emerson, in terr., 20s.—2s. 8d.; Brianus Emerson, in terr., 20s.—2s. 8d. Ward of Darlington (Bondgate): Thomas Emerson, of Bondgate, in terr., 20s.—2s. 8d.

No. $\frac{10^{s}}{14}$, 22 James I. [1625]. Assessment of the third of three entire subsidies granted in the parliament "ultimo preterito," and payable 9th March, 22 James I., on the Inhabitants within the County of Durham. Ward of Darneton (Darneton): Thomas Emmerson, in terris, 40s.—8s. Parish of Haughton: George Emmerson, in terris, 20s.—4s. Parish of Merrington: Bryan Emmerson, in terris., 40s.—8s.; George Emmerson, in terris., 20s.—4s.

No. $\frac{10^{s}}{15}$, James I. Assessment of a Subsidy upon the Inhabitants of Easington Ward in the Co. Durham. Parish of Darlington: Tho. Emerson, in terr., £3—12s.; Geo. Emerson, in terr., 20s.—4s.

No. $\frac{10^{s}}{14}$, 1 Charles I. [1625—26]. Roll of the Assessment of the second Subsidy of two Subsidies granted 1 Charles I. Parish of Stanhopp: Bryan Emerson, in tris., 40s.—8s.; Georgius Emerson, in tris., 20s.—4s. Parish of Dallton:

Ass. vx. Georgii Collingwood, p. poll, 8d.; Franciscus Emerson et Margarate vx., 16d. Parish of Haughton: George Emerson, 8d. Parish of Wolsingham: Radus Emerson et Maria vx., 16d.; Robtus Emerson et Ellinor, vx., 16d.

No. $\frac{1}{113}$, 4 Charles I. (1628—29). Assessment of the third Subsidy, granted 4 Charles I., upon the inhabitants within the wards of Chester, Easington, Darlington and Stockton. Parish of Darlington: Tho. Emerson, in terr., £3—12s.

1662, No. $\frac{1}{16}$; 1663, No. $\frac{1}{31}$; 14 and 16 Chas. I., No. $\frac{1}{34}$; 14 and 16 Chas. I., No. $\frac{1}{24}$; 18 Chas. II., No. $\frac{1}{14}$; 25 Charles II., No. $\frac{1}{25}$; Charles II., No. $\frac{1}{16}$; Chas. II., No. $\frac{1}{31}$; 1666, No. $\frac{1}{15}$.

No. $\frac{1}{18}$, 1662. Assessment of the Hearth Tax due at Michaelmas, 1662, upon the inhabitants of Co. Durham. Nether Heworth: Robert Emmerson, Constable. No return. Gateshead: Margaret Emmerson, 1; John Emmerson, 1. Whickham, Fellside: John Emmerson, 1. Chopwell: William Emmerson, Constable. No return made. Middleham: John Emmerson, 1. Branspeth Parish: Henry Emerson, 1; Margaret Emerson, 1; Henry Emerson, 2; Isabell Emerson, 1. Woolsingham: Henry Emerson, 1. Stanhopp: Mrs. Emerson; John Emerson, 2. Forest of Weardale: Margaret Emerson, 2; Thomas Emerson, 1; Margaret Emerson, 1.

No. $\frac{1}{31}$, 1663. Assessment of Hearth Tax due from the inhabitants of Co. Durham, Lady-day, 1663. Middleham: John Emerson. 1. Branspeth: Henry Emerson, 1; Margaret Emerson, 1; Henry Emerson, 1; Isabell Emerson, 1. Woolsingham: Henry Emerson, 1. Woolsingham, South Side: George Emerson, 1. Stanhopp: Robert Emerson, Margaret Emerson, William Emerson. Thomas Emerson, High Constable for the North-East division of Darlington, have made no return. Gateshead: Margaret Emmerson, 1. Whickham Parish: William Emerson, 2. Axwell Houses, Gibside, Marshall lands and other places: John Emerson, 3. Chopwell: Wm. Emerson, Constable, refuseth to give his return.

No. $\frac{1}{34}$, 14—16 Chas. II. [1662—65]. Accompt. of Thomas Davison, Knight, Sheriff of the Co. Durham, and receiver of the King's revenues arising from Hearth Tax. Nether Heyworth: Robert Emerson, Constable. Gateshead: Margaret Emerson, 12d.; John Emerson, 12d. Brancepeth: Henr. Emerson, 12d.; Margaret Emerson, 12d.; Henr. Emerson, 12d.; Isabell Emerson, 12d. Wollsingham: Hen. Emerson, exon. Stanhopp Quarter: Mram. Emerson, vac. hic.; Johem. Emerson, 12d. Forest of Weardale: Margaret Emerson, 3s. Whickham: William Emerson, 2s. Axwell and Gibside: John Emerson, 6s. Parish of Bishopp Middleham: John Emerson, 12d. Brancepeth: Henr. Emerson, 12d.; Mar. Emerson, 12d.; Henr. Emerson, 12d.; Isabel Emerson, 12d. Wolsingham: Henr. Emerson, vac. Stanhopp: Willm. Emerson, 12d.; Johem. Emerson, exon.

No. $\frac{1}{33}$, 14—16 Charles II. [1662—65]. Schedule of Arrears of Hearth Tax. Ryton, Winlayton West and Chopwell: William Emmerson, £1 3s. Choppwell: William Emmerson, 13s. Whickleham in Fellside: Johem. Emerson, 3s.

No. $\frac{1}{24}$, 18 Charles II. [1666—67]. Arrears of Hearth Tax (Chester le Street): Thos. Emmerson, 1. Killerby, Linsack and Softley: Rob. Emerson, 1.

No. $\frac{1}{34}$, 25 Charles II. [1673—74]. Account of Collection of Hearth Tax. St. Gyles' Parish: Thos. Emerson. 3. Hutton Henry: Rob. Emmerson, 1. Sunderland-by-Sea: Anth. Emmerson, 3. St. Gyles' Parish: Ellianor Emmerson, 1. Chester Ward, East Division, Gateshead: Ra. Emerson, 2. The High Warde: Mr. Joh. Emerson, 5. Pipewell Gate Ward: Jam. Emmerson, 1. Ravensworth: John Emmerson, 5. Lintegreene: Jo. Emmerson, 1. Whickham: Thos. Emmerson, 1. Chopwell: William Emmerson, 2. Hedley and Tanfield: John Emmerson, 1. Nether and Upper Heworth: John Emmerson, 1. Stanhop Towne: Mr. Emmerson, 5; John Emmerson, 1. Stanhop Forrest: George Emmerson, 1; George Emmerson, 1; Margaret Emmerson, 1; John Emmerson, 1; Thos. Emmerson, 1; Thos. Emmerson, 2; Cuth. Emmerson, 1; Thomas Emmerson, 1; Cuth. Emmerson, 1; Ra. Emmerson, 1; John Emmerson, 1; Tho. Emmerson, 1; Cuth. Emmerson, 1; Joh. Emmerson, 1; Margt. Emmerson, 1. Stanhope Parke: Richard Emmerson, 1; Eliz. Emmerson, 5; Mark Emmerson, 3; Ra. Emmerson, 1; Ra. Emmerson, 2; Thos. Emmerson, 1. Newland: Margery Emmerson, 1. Bishopsley: Ra. Emmerson. Bondgate in Darneton: Laur. Emmerson, 2; Thos. Emerson, 6. Walworth: Chr. Emerson, 1; Geo. Emerson, 1; John Emmerson, 1. Whitworth: Geo. Emmerson, 2. Marwood: Phill. Emmerson, 1. Langley Dale Forrest: Wd. Emmerson, 1; Tho. Emmerson, 2; Joh. Emmerson, 1. Barnard Castle: Tho. Emmerson, 1; Chr. Emmerson, 2; Arth. Emmerson, 6. Branspeth: Wd. Emmerson, 1. Stanhop Park: Marg. Emmerson. Witton-upon-Weare: Ra. Emmerson, 1. Low Conscliffe: Henr. Emmerson, 1. Byars Green: Jo. Emmerson, 1; Wm. Emmerson, 1; Geo. Emmerson, 1. Newbigging: Arth. Emmerson, 1. Langley Dale: Jo. Emmerson, 1. Barnard Castle: Eliz. Emmerson, 1; Nich. Emmerson, 1. Stockton Ward (Butterwicke): Thos. Emerson, 1. Seaton: Jo. Emmerson, 1. Stillington and Carleton: Nich. Emmerson, 1. Stockton Ward: Joh. Emmerson. Billingham: Mats. Emmerson, 1; Geo. Emmerson, 1. Stranton: Ann Emmerson, Ellinor Emmerson. Dalton Brierton: Chr. Emmerson, 1.

No. $\frac{1}{20}$, Charles II., Midleton, One row (very much torn): George Emerson, 1.

No. $\frac{1}{27}$, Charles II. St. Gyles' Old Durham: Anthony Emerson, 3. Lamesly: John Emerson, 4. Gateshead: Isabel Emerson. 1. Whitburn: Thomas Emerson, 1. Choppwell: Mr. William Emmerson, 2. Linsacke and Softley: Robert Emerson, 1. Stanhopp: Phill. Emmerson, 4; George Emmerson, 1; Margt. Emmerson, 2; John Emmersone, 1; Thos. Emmerson, 1; Thos. Emmerson, 1; Cuth. Emmerson, 1; Tho. Emerson, 1; Widdow Emerson, 1; Will. Emerson, 1; Railph Emerson, 1; Alice Emerson, 1; Thos. Emerson, 1; Cuth. Emerson, 1; Arthur Emerson, 1; Ralph Emerson, 1; Geo. Emerson, 1; Geo. Emerson, 1; Robt. Emerson, 1. Stanhopp Park: Robt. Emerson, 3; Eliz. Emerson, 3; Anne Emerson, 2; Nich. Emerson, 2. Bondgate in Darlington: Lawrence Emerson, 1; Thomas Emerson, 3. Byers Green: Thomas Emerson, 1. Barnard Castle: Arthur Emerson, Junr., 3; Arthur Emerson, Senr., 5.

No. $\frac{1}{26}$. The number of Stoves within the Co. Durham according to a survey made for the half year ending 25th March, 1666:—Byars Green: Thomas Emerson, 1. Darlington: Lawrence Emerson, 2. Walworth: George Emerson, 1; John Emerson, 1. Barnard Castle: Arthur Emerson, Sen., 6. Teasdale Forest; Isabell Emerson, 1. Branspeth Castle and Park: Richard Emerson, 3. Stanhopp Park: Thos. Emerson, 1; Margery Emerson, 2; Will. Emerson, 1; Geo. Emerson, 1; Mary Emerson, 2; Elizabeth Emerson, 4; Nich. Emerson, 2. Stanhopp Forest: Geo. Emerson, 1; Margaret Emerson, 2; John Emerson, 1; Thos. Emerson, 1; Thos. Emerson, 1; Mary Emmerson, 1; Ralph Emmerson, 1; Robert Emmerson, 1; Jo. Emerson, 1; Tho. Emerson, 1; Cuth. Emerson, 1; Arthur Emerson, 1; Cuth. Emerson, 1; Margt. Emerson, 1; George Emerson, 1. Carleton: Nich. Emerson, 1. Embleton: Tho. Emerson, 1. Newton Bewley: Will. Emmerson, 1. Choppwell: Will. Emmerson, 3. Roughley: Tho. Emmerson, 1. Whickham: Thos. Emmerson, 2. Whichamfelside: Chris. Emmerson, 1. Pautward: Margarett Emmerson, 1. St. Gyles: Thos. Emmerson, 3

An Account of Non-Solvents in the County of Durham, Byars Green: Willm. Emerson, 2; George Emerson, 2. Newbiggin: Arthur Emerson, 1. Branspeth: Marg. Emerson, 1. Linsacke and Softley: Rob. Emerson, 1; John Emerson, 1; Will. Emerson, 1. Stanhopp: Margery Emerson, 1; Widow Emmerson, 1. Harburne: John Emmerson, 1. Greatham: Widow Emerson, 1. Newton Bewly: Willm. Emmerson, 1. Sedgefield: John Emerson, 1. Strainton: Willm. Emmerson, 1. Whickham Fellside: Chr. Emerson, 1; Widow Emmerson, 1. Broome: Margery Emmerson, 1. Lamesley: Nich. Emerson, 1.

LINCOLN.

18 Edw. I., $\frac{1}{15}$, nil. 23 Edw. I., $\frac{1}{14}$, nil. 25 Edw. I., $\frac{1}{15}$, $\frac{1}{15}$, nil. 26 Edw. I., $\frac{1}{21}$, $\frac{1}{16}$, nil. 29 Edw. I., $\frac{1}{14}$, nil. 29 or 34 Edw. I., $\frac{1}{15}$, nil. 1 Edw. III., $\frac{1}{15}$, $\frac{1}{15}$, $\frac{1}{14}$, $\frac{1}{15}$, $\frac{1}{(4}$, nil. 6 Edw. III., $\frac{1}{14}$, sent.* 6 Edw. III., $\frac{1}{14}$, sent.†

* No. $\frac{1}{15}$. 6 Edward III. (1332). Broughton: Robto. Emmeson, 2s.; Alex. Emmeson, 15s.

† No. $\frac{1}{15}$. 6 Edward III. Robto. Emmeson; Alex. Emmeson. [Broughton only searched in this last roll; not whole roll.]

$\frac{1}{4}$. 25 Edw. I., nil. $\frac{1}{4}$ (much defaced), nil.

$\frac{1}{13}$. [4 Ric. II.]. Poll tax, m. 1. [Place name gone.] Joh. Emry, Marg. vx. ei., 4s. m. 2, Villa de Freston: Joh. Emry, Alic. vx. ei., 4s.

$\frac{1}{305}$. 15 Hen. VIII. m. 1. The Wapentake of Skerbeke. Boston: Peter Emery al. Pall, £5. $\frac{1}{60}$, nil. $\frac{1}{60}$ (much defaced), nil. $\frac{1}{300}$, nil. $\frac{1}{313}$, m. 5. Wapentake of Skyrbek. Boston: D. Petro Emery alias Paul, £5. $\frac{1}{11}$ (much defaced), nil. $\frac{1}{13}$, nil. $\frac{1}{116}$. City of Lincoln, South Ward: Scargnt. Botell poch. John Emondson in good, £3, subsidie, 18d. The poch. off Scargnt. Mary. Thomas Edmondson in good, £20—20s. $\frac{1}{117}$ (much defaced), nil.

NORTHUMBERLAND.

Exchequer Lay Subsidies, $\frac{1}{4}$, Northumberland, 24 Edward I. (62 mems.). Rotulus taxacionis septime et vndecime. Magna Babington, s. bonor. Thom. fil. Emme, 52s. 2d., vnde Regi., 4s. 9d. Magna Hetton, s. bonor. Elie. fil. Emme, 71s. 6d., vnde R., 6s. 6d.; s. bonor. Alan

fil. Emme, 75s. 4d., vn. Regi. 6s. 10d. q. Meldon, s. bonor. Nichi. fil. Emme, 11s. 6d., vnde Regi. 12d. q.

Exchequer Lay Subsidies $\frac{13}{13}$, Northumberland, 10 Edward III. Easlyngton, Johes. Emson, 20d. Suyttir [Suttyrow], Johes. fil. Emme, 16d.

No Subsidy Roll for 4 Ric. II.

Rolls $\frac{1}{15}$, 31 Hen. VI. and $\frac{1}{25}$, 32 Hen. VIII., nil.

WESTMORELAND.

(No Rolls before 1 Ed. II.)

Exchequer Lay Subsidies $\frac{1}{18}$. Westmoreland, 6 Edward III. Clyfton, Ricus. fil. Eme. ht. in bonis, 20s. [The remainder of this entry is mutilated.] Wirtherslack, Ric. fil. Emme ht. in bonis, 15s., vn. R., 21d. Gressemer Langeden, Louherig and Rydale, Wills. fil. Emme ht. in bonis, £3. [The remainder of this entry is missing.] Johes. fil. Ad. Emmeson ht. in bonis, 40s. [The rest of this is also missing.] [This roll is very much defaced and damaged.]

Exchequer Lay Subsidies $\frac{1}{19}$, Westmoreland, 2 Richard II. Villa de Ou.ton: Robto. Emson, et vx. ei., 4d.; Adam Emson, et vx. ei., 4d.

$\frac{1}{25}$, 32 Henry VIII., nil.

LEICESTERSHIRE.

(No Rolls before 1 Ed. III.)

Exchequer Lay Subsidies, $\frac{1}{3}$, 6 Edward III. Hungerton: D. Rico fil Emme, 12d. Broughton Astel. Sutton et Thorp: D. Robto. fil. Emme, 20d.

$\frac{1}{12}$. 4 Richard II. Vill. de Sixtenby: D. Nicho. Annotson Cult., 2s.

15 Henry VIII. [Rolls $\frac{133}{100}$, $\frac{133}{101}$, $\frac{133}{102}$, nil.] Roll $\frac{133}{103}$ is merely a fragment. Roll $\frac{133}{104}$, 15 Henry VIII., Saltby: Rycardus Ameson in bonis, £6; subs., 8s. [Rolls $\frac{133}{105}$, $\frac{133}{110}$, $\frac{133}{111}$, nil.] Roll $\frac{133}{112}$, 15 Henry VIII., Saltby: Ricus. Ameson in bonis, £6; subs. 8s. [A considerable part of this Roll is missing.] Roll $\frac{133}{113}$, 15 Henry VIII., nil. [Roll very much defaced.]

CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

No rolls for Edw. I. $\frac{1}{6}$, 6 Edw. III, nil. No rolls for Ric. II. 14 Henry VIII., Roll $\frac{1}{134}$, nil. $\frac{1}{135}$, Lytlyngton, Thomas Empson goodes, £13, subs. 6s. 6d. Melborne, John Empson goodes, 20s., subs. 4d. Rolls $\frac{1}{136}$, $\frac{1}{137}$, $\frac{1}{138}$, $\frac{1}{139}$, nil. Roll $\frac{1}{140}$, 14 and 15 Henry VIII., Kenett, Thomas Empson in goodes, £13 6s. 8d., subs. 6s. 8d. Roll $\frac{1}{141}$, nil. Roll $\frac{1}{142}$, 14 and 15 Hen. VIII., Cootyn (Coton), Robert Emerson in wages, 20s.—4d. Rolls $\frac{1}{143}$, $\frac{1}{144}$, $\frac{1}{145}$, $\frac{1}{146}$, $\frac{1}{147}$, $\frac{1}{148}$, $\frac{1}{149}$, $\frac{1}{150}$, $\frac{1}{151}$, $\frac{1}{152}$, $\frac{1}{153}$, $\frac{1}{154}$, $\frac{1}{155}$, $\frac{1}{156}$, $\frac{1}{157}$, $\frac{1}{158}$, nil. Roll $\frac{1}{159}$, 14 Henry VIII., Kenett, Thomas Emson in goodes, £20—20s. Cotenham, Alice Emson in goodes, £3—18d. [Rolls $\frac{1}{160}$, $\frac{1}{161}$, $\frac{1}{162}$, $\frac{1}{163}$, $\frac{1}{164}$, $\frac{1}{165}$, $\frac{1}{166}$, $\frac{1}{167}$, $\frac{1}{168}$, $\frac{1}{169}$, $\frac{1}{170}$, $\frac{1}{171}$, $\frac{1}{172}$, $\frac{1}{173}$, $\frac{1}{174}$, $\frac{1}{175}$, $\frac{1}{176}$, $\frac{1}{177}$, $\frac{1}{178}$, $\frac{1}{179}$, $\frac{1}{180}$, $\frac{1}{181}$, $\frac{1}{182}$, nil. The majority of them are very much damaged. Roll $\frac{1}{183}$ is only a fragment.]

NORTHAMPTON.

No Roll for Edward I. $\frac{1}{5}$, 1 or 6 Edw. III. (imperfect), nil. [A great part of this roll quite illegible.]

$\frac{1}{13}$, 4 Ric. II. (1 mem. only), nil. $\frac{1}{14}$, 4 Ric. II. (Town of Northampton), (partially defaced), Poll-tax, nil.

$\frac{1}{15}$, 15 Hen. VIII., Hundreds of Falwesley and Newbottlegrove, nil. $\frac{1}{16}$, 14—15 Hen. VII. (Hokeslow), Keteryng, John Emerton in bonis, valor substanc., £4, subs. taxat., 2s. Aldwincle, Willm. Emberton in bon., valor substanc., 40s., subs. taxat., 12d. $\frac{1}{17}$, 14—15 Hen. VIII. (Town of Northampton), (imperfect). $\frac{1}{18}$, 15 Hen. VIII. (Wymersley and Spelho) (partially defaced), Brayfeld, Willm. Emson., sen., substanc., £3, subsid., 18d.; Willm. Emson., substanc., 20s., subsid., 4d. Kyngesthorp, Willm. Emson, substanc., 20s., subsid., 4d. $\frac{1}{19}$, 15 Hen. VIII. (Nassaburgh), nil. $\frac{1}{20}$, 15 Hen. VIII. (Willibrok), nil. $\frac{1}{21}$, 18 Hen. VIII. (Cleyley, 1 mem.). nil. $\frac{1}{22}$, 15 Hen. VIII., Cleyley (partially defaced), nil. $\frac{1}{23}$, 16 Hen. VIII., Toucestre, nil. $\frac{1}{24}$, 16 Hen. VIII., Toucestre, nil. $\frac{1}{25}$, 16 Hen. VIII., Rothwell, nil. $\frac{1}{26}$, 16 Hen. VIII., Polbroke, nil. $\frac{1}{27}$, a duplicate. $\frac{1}{28}$, 14—16 Henry VIII., Town of Northampton, nil. $\frac{1}{29}$, 14—15 Hen. VIII., Cleyley, Eston Hulcott, Thomas Emson, landes 100 markes, £3 6s. 8d. In $\frac{1}{29}$ this name appears as Thomas Empson. $\frac{1}{30}$, 15 Hen. VIII., Wymersley and Spelhoe (imperfect). Brafeyld. [Here we find 2 names; apparently Wyllm. Gunson and Wyllm. Giuson, which 2 names in roll $\frac{1}{31}$ looked more like "Emson."] Kyngesthorpe, Wyllm. Emson in wages, 20s.—4d. Rolls $\frac{1}{32}$, $\frac{1}{33}$, $\frac{1}{34}$, duplicates. $\frac{1}{35}$, 15 Hen. VIII., King's Sutton, Wardon and Norton (fragment), nil. $\frac{1}{37}$, a duplicate. $\frac{1}{41}$, 17 Hen. VIII., Falwesley and Newbottell grove, nil. $\frac{1}{42}$, 17 Hen. VIII., Corby, Rothwell and Hokeslowe, nil. $\frac{1}{43}$, 14—15 Hen. VIII., Sutton, Norton and Wardon, nil. $\frac{1}{44}$, 15 Hen. VIII., Polbrok and Navesford, nil. $\frac{1}{45}$, 16 Hen. VIII., Navesford, nil. $\frac{1}{46}$, 15 Hen. VIII. (subs. on goods value £40 p. ann), nil. $\frac{1}{47}$, 15 Hen. VIII., Hokeslow, etc., nil. $\frac{1}{48}$, 14 Hen. VIII. (subs. on goods value £50 p. ann.), nil. $\frac{1}{49}$, 14 Hen. VIII. (subs. on goods value £50 p. ann.), nil. $\frac{1}{50}$, 15 Henry VIII., Sutton, Norton and Wardon partially defaced), nil. $\frac{1}{51}$, *circa* 15 Hen. VIII., Corby (imperfect). Weldon Mangna, D. Henrico Emerey in bon., 20s.—4d. Brygstoke, D. Robto. Emberton in bon., 20s.—4d. Stanyern, D. Roberto Emberton in bon., 20s.—4d. Newton Mangna r. pua., D. Thoma Emerey in bon., 100s.—2s. 6d. $\frac{1}{52}$, 15 Hen. VIII., Falwesley et al., nil. $\frac{1}{53}$, 15 Hen. VIII., Guildesborough (fragment), nil $\frac{1}{54}$, 15 Hen. VIII. Corby, Polbroke and Navesford, nil.

CUMBERLAND.

My friend Col. J. P. Steele, R.E., a native of this county, himself searched the Cumberland Lay Subsidies and Hearth Tax Rolls for me, and this is his report:—

Ed. I., only a fragment to be found, giving no names.

None other to be found until $\frac{2}{9}$, 6 Ed. III., consisting of 29 rolls, containing some 3000 or more names. I could find no fil. Emerie or Emersons or anything like the name, but several Filii Emme occur, *e.g.*, Berier, Adam, fil. Emme; Hoton Ruf., Thom., fil. Emme; Laisingby, John fil. Emme; Laisingby, Adam, fil. Emme; Burgh, Adam, fil. Emme; Beaumond, Robtus, fil. Emme; Bampton, Steph., fil. Emme; Langholme, Symon, fil Emme; Hedresford, Will., fil. Emme; Hedresford, Thom., fil. Emme; Hedresford, Will., fil. Emme; Kyrklewyngton, Adam, fil. Emme; Denton, Hugo, fil. Emme; Brathwayt, Thos., fil. Emme; Brathwayt, Hen., fil. Emme.

In Hearth Tax Rolls, 3 Car., $162\frac{5}{6}$—1674, I however find several Emersons, viz.—1673, $\frac{2}{3}$. Boulton: Jo. Emerson. 23rd May, 1674. Gt. Clifton: Robt. Emerson, John Emerson. Alston Moor: Arthur Emerson, Geo. Emerson, John Emerson. Embleton: Peter Emerson. Cockermouth: John Emerson. Egremont: Leonard Emerson. —J. P. S.

HUNTINGDONSHIRE.

$\frac{1}{23}$, 15—16 Hen. VIII. Papworth Agnes, Johes. Enderson Scott het. in bon. 20s.—8d.

Rolls $\frac{1}{1}$, $\frac{1}{2}$, 31 Edw. I., nil. $\frac{1}{3}$, 6 Edw. III., nil. $\frac{1}{95}$, $\frac{1}{96}$, $\frac{1}{97}$, $\frac{1}{98}$, $\frac{1}{99}$, $\frac{1}{100}$, $\frac{1}{101}$, $\frac{1}{102}$, $\frac{1}{103}$, $\frac{1}{104}$, $\frac{1}{105}$, $\frac{1}{106}$, 14 Henry VIII., nil.

WARWICKSHIRE.

$\frac{1}{2}$, 6 Edward III. Hundred of Knythelowe [Knightlow], Southam, De Johe. Emmesone, 3s. Ichinton longa [Long Itchington], D. Rado. fil. Emme, 2s.

Roll $\frac{1}{11}$, 2 Richard II. Hundred of Kington, Wynturton, Joh. Emoton, 4d. Roll $\frac{1}{12}$, 2 Richard II., Southam, Joh. Emson., 4d.

Roll $\frac{1}{13}$, 14 Henry VIII., Tamworth, Agnes Empson in goodes, 20s.—4d. Roll $\frac{1}{14}$d, for 25 Edw. I., nil.; $\frac{1}{15}$, $\frac{1}{16}$ for 2 and 4 Ric. II., nil; $\frac{1}{17}$, $\frac{1}{18}$, $\frac{1}{19}$, $\frac{1}{20}$, $\frac{1}{21}$, $\frac{1}{22}$, $\frac{1}{23}$, $\frac{1}{24}$, $\frac{1}{25}$, $\frac{1}{26}$, $\frac{1}{27}$, $\frac{1}{28}$, $\frac{1}{29}$, $\frac{1}{30}$, $\frac{1}{31}$, $\frac{1}{32}$, $\frac{1}{33}$, $\frac{1}{34}$, $\frac{1}{35}$, $\frac{1}{36}$, $\frac{1}{37}$, $\frac{1}{38}$, $\frac{1}{39}$, $\frac{1}{40}$, $\frac{1}{41}$, $\frac{1}{42}$, $\frac{1}{43}$, $\frac{1}{44}$, $\frac{1}{45}$, $\frac{1}{46}$, $\frac{1}{47}$, $\frac{1}{48}$, $\frac{1}{49}$, $\frac{1}{50}$, $\frac{1}{51}$, $\frac{1}{52}$, $\frac{1}{53}$, $\frac{1}{54}$, $\frac{1}{55}$, $\frac{1}{56}$,

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

Roll $\frac{1}{1}$, 6 Edw. III. Vill. de Welhagh., Joh. fil. Emme, 5s. 4d. Villata de Gameleston, De Joh. fil. Emme, 2s. 4d. Villata de Shelford De Robto. fil. Emme, 2s.

Rolls $\frac{1}{2}$, 30 Edw. I., nil. No roll for 4 Ric. II. $\frac{1}{3}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{5}$, $\frac{1}{6}$, $\frac{1}{7}$, $\frac{1}{8}$, $\frac{1}{9}$, $\frac{1}{10}$, $\frac{1}{11}$, $\frac{1}{12}$, $\frac{1}{13}$, $\frac{1}{14}$, $\frac{1}{15}$, $\frac{1}{16}$, $\frac{1}{17}$, 14 Hen. VIII., nil.

HERTFORDSHIRE.

Roll $\frac{1}{1}$, 19 Edward I. Burgus de Hertford, De Nicholo fil. Emme, 21s. 6d. o. Parva Hadham, De Rico. fil. Emme, 6s. 1d. o. Ressedene, De Thom. fil. Emme, 21d. q. Wattone, De Rogero fil. Emme, 5s. 1d. q.; De Juone fil. Emme, 2s. 11d. q. Ware, De Galfrido fil. Emme, 2s. 5d. o.

No roll for 6 Edw. III. Rolls $\frac{1}{9}$, 2 Ric. II., nil. $\frac{1}{10}$, $\frac{1}{11}$, $\frac{1}{12}$, $\frac{1}{13}$, $\frac{1}{14}$, $\frac{1}{15}$, $\frac{1}{16}$, $\frac{1}{17}$, $\frac{1}{18}$, $\frac{1}{19}$, $\frac{1}{20}$, $\frac{1}{21}$, $\frac{1}{22}$, $\frac{1}{23}$, $\frac{1}{24}$, $\frac{1}{25}$, $\frac{1}{26}$, 14 Hen. VIII., nil.

HEARTH TAX, HERTFORDSHIRE.

Rolls searched. $\frac{1}{1}$, 16 and 17 Chas. II., nil. $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{3}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{5}$, 22 Chas. II, nil. Add., $\frac{2}{1}$, $\frac{2}{2}$, $\frac{2}{3}$, $\frac{2}{4}$, $\frac{2}{5}$, $\frac{2}{6}$, $\frac{2}{7}$, nil.

Michaelmas, 1663. $\frac{2}{1}$. A return of a warrant to me directed, which was for to give account of all the fire hearths and stoves within the parish of Albury charged by Act of Parliament. Thomas Glenister, Constable. Mr. William Emerton, 4. $\frac{2}{2}$, same entry as above.

MIDDLESEX.

$\frac{1}{1}$. 14 Hen. VIII. Fynesbury, Robert Emere "engl." in wages, 46s. 8—14d. Holborne, Thomas Amore "engl." in Goodes, 40s.—12d. Roll $\frac{1}{2}$, Holburn, Robt. Amore, for his goodes, £5—2s. 6d. Fyncheley, Richard Amore, servant, for his wages, £3 18d. The Towre, Eberat Everareson, servant to Corneles Johnson, stranger, for his wages, £4 6s. 8d.—4s. 4d. Roll $\frac{1}{3}$. Ryselip, Willm. Amery, the elder, in lands, £3—3s. Willm. Amery, junior, in goodes, £3—18d.

$\frac{1}{1}$, 28 Edw. I., nil. $\frac{1}{2}$, 4 Edw. III., nil. No roll for 4 Ric. II. Rolls $\frac{1}{3}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{5}$, $\frac{1}{6}$, $\frac{1}{7}$, $\frac{1}{8}$, $\frac{1}{9}$, $\frac{1}{10}$, $\frac{1}{11}$, 14 Hen. VIII., nil. London, $\frac{1}{1}$, 32 Edw. I., nil. $\frac{1}{2}$, 6 Edw. III., nil. No roll for 4 Ric. II. $\frac{1}{3}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{5}$, $\frac{1}{6}$, $\frac{1}{7}$, $\frac{1}{8}$, $\frac{1}{9}$, 14 Hen. VIII., nil.

KENT.

$\frac{1}{1}$, 29 Edw. I. Township of Dartford, no Emerson. $\frac{1}{2}$, 8 Edw. III., 15ths and 10ths. Hundred of Twyford, Thomas Emery, 3s. No Emerson or fil. Emery. $\frac{1}{3}$, 6 Edw. III., 15ths and 10ths, no Emerson or fil. Emery. $\frac{1}{4}$, 15 Hen. VIII. Hund. of Watchelyngton, no Emerson. $\frac{1}{5}$, 4 Ric. II. (much faded). City of Canterbury and suburbs, Gilbertus Emery, fysscher, 3s.; Emma, his wife; Margery, his servant, 4d.; Beatrix, his servant, 8d.

$\frac{1}{6}$, 15 Hen. VIII., nil. $\frac{1}{7}$, 15 Hen VIII. (much faded in parts). Hunds. of Toltingtrowe, Wrotham, Axton, Hoo and Shamell (some mems. almost entirely illegible), no Emerson. $\frac{1}{8}$, 15 Hen. VIII. City of Canterbury, Ward of Newyngate, Gerard Emerson, doucheman, goods 40s.—2s. $\frac{1}{9}$, 14 Hen. VIII. Hunds. of Faversham, Boughton and Teneham, no Emerson. $\frac{1}{10}$, 14 Hen. VIII. Lathe of Shipwey, no Emerson. $\frac{1}{11}$, 15 Hen. VIII. City and Hund. of Rochester, no Emerson. $\frac{1}{12}$, 15 Hen. VIII. Lathe of Aylesford (imperfect). Hedcorne. Thomas Emere, in wages, 40s.—12d. Town of Maidstone, Thomas Emery, in goods, 40s.—12d. $\frac{1}{13}$, 15 Hen. VIII. (a fragment of 5 mems.), (illegible in parts). $\frac{1}{14}$, 15 Hen. VIII. Lathe of Scray (imperfect). No Emerson. $\frac{1}{15}$, 15 Hen. VIII. Lathe of Aylesford (fragment of 4 mems.). No Emerson. $\frac{1}{16}$, 16 Hen. VIII. Lathe of St. Austin. No Emerson. $\frac{1}{17}$, 14 Hen. VIII., nil $\frac{1}{18}$, 14 Hen. VIII. Lathe of Shepway (imperfect, 4 mems.) (mutilated). No Emerson. $\frac{1}{19}$, 15 Hen. VIII. Lathe of Aylesford (a fragment). No Emerson. $\frac{1}{20}$, 14—15 Hen. VIII. City of C——. No Emerson. $\frac{1}{21}$, 18 Hen. VIII. Hundreds of Lytle and Lesnes, Rokysley and Blakhath, and Town of Dartforde. No Emerson. $\frac{1}{22}$, 15 Hen. VIII. Kent (2 mems.). No Emerson. $\frac{1}{23}$, 14 Hen. VIII. City of Canterbury (1 mutilated mem.). No Emerson.

ESSEX.

$\frac{1}{1}$ [31 Edw. I.]. Arrears due on aid on marriage of the King's eldest daughter. No fil. Emery. $\frac{1}{2}$ [35 Edw. I.]. Arrears due on aid on marriage of the King's eldest daughter. No Emerson or fil. Emery. $\frac{1}{3}$, 31 Edw. I. A file of Inquisitions concerning Knights' fees (much mutilated). No Emerson. $\frac{1}{4}$, Inq. re Knights' fees in Hund. of Hudd. (much injured). No Emerson. $\frac{1}{5}$, Inq. re Knights' fees for Hundred of Witham. No Emerson.

$\frac{1}{6}$, 6 Edw. III. Co. of Essex. (Pieces of this roll are torn away, and it may be otherwise defective) (in parts undecipherable). No fil. Emery, etc., decipherable.

$\frac{1}{7}$ [? Ric. II.]. Poll Tax. Names of Men and Women about the age of 15 in various parishes in the hundred of Chelmsford. No Emerson, etc. $\frac{1}{8}$ [? Ric. II.]. The same in the Hundred of Thurstable. No Emerson. $\frac{1}{9}$, 4 Ric. II. Subs. assessed on the Town of Waltham. No Emerson. $\frac{1}{10}$, 4 Ric. II. Subs. assessed on the Town of Westham. No Emerson.

$\frac{1}{1}$, 17 Hen. VIII. No names. $\frac{1}{2}$, 15 Hen. VIII. Town of Colchester. No Emerson. $\frac{1}{3}$, 15 Hen. VIII. Boro' of Maldon. No Emerson. $\frac{1}{4}$, 14 and 15 Hen. VIII. Hundreds of Bekyntre and Chafforde, Liberties of Havering atte Bowre. No Emerson. $\frac{1}{5}$, 14 Hen. VIII. Hundred of Tendrynge (imperfect). No Emerson. $\frac{1}{6}$, 14—15 Hen. VIII. Hundreds of Dengie, Thurstan and Rochford (imperfect). No Emerson at all. $\frac{1}{7}$, 15 Hen. VIII. Hundred of Dunmowe. No Emerson. $\frac{1}{8}$, 15 Hen. VIII. Hundreds of Berstaple and Chelmsford. Dabery with his hamlettes, Thomas Emery in goods, 40s.—12d. $\frac{1}{9}$, 14—15 Hen. VIII. Hund. of Lexden, and half hund. of Witham and Wynestre. No Emerson. $\frac{1}{10}$, 14 Hen. VIII. Hunds. of Freshewell, Utlesforde and Claveryngе (portions torn away). No Emerson. $\frac{1}{11}$, 15 Hen. VIII. Town of Colchester. No Emerson. $\frac{1}{12}$, 15 Hen. VIII., nil. $\frac{1}{13}$, 15 Hen. VIII. Hundred of Hyncheford (imperfect). No Emerson. Up to and including Roll $\frac{1}{14}$ covers all Essex for the first payment.

ADDITIONAL LAY SUBSIDIES, ESSEX.

Hearth Taxes $\frac{2}{1}$. Barking. A Returne made by the Constables of Barking Towne of all yt. have paid for their hearths, 1662. . . . Edmund Emson, 6, 6s.

$\frac{2}{2}$, 1662. Barking. Franciscus Emerton, 4. Barking Towne. Edmdus. Emson, 6. Felsted. Willus. Emberson, 8; Ricus Emberson, 4. Wakering Magna. Johes. Emerson, 3.

Roll $\frac{2}{3}$, 1672 [entered in the cal. as 1662]. Faunge. Thomas Emerson, 4. . . . Is* Emerson, 3. [This roll is in a most deplorable condition. There are 35 membranes written on both sides, with three rows of names, but nearly every membrane is torn, and in some instances* only one or two letters remain. It has taken hours to go through!] Wakering . . . Emerson, 2. Moulsham hamlet. Wills. Emberson, 3. Widford, Henr. Emson, 2. White Notley. Xpofer Emerston, 4.

Roll $\frac{2}{4}$. Hundred of Freshwall, 1664 Bardfield Salinge. John Empson, 2.

Roll $\frac{2}{5}$. The Survey Booke of ye Hearth Money for Utlesford, Freshwell and Claveringe Att Michaelmas, 1665. Bardfeild Salinge. John Empson, 2

Roll $\frac{2}{6}$. The Hundred of Winstree, 1665. East Merzey. William Embers. [*sic*], 1. West Merzy. Mr. Evanson, 1.

Roll $\frac{2}{7}$. Witham Hundred, 1666. Alha Notley. Widow Empson, 1; Christopher Amerson, 3. Tarling. John Emerson, 2.

Roll $\frac{2}{8}$. Clavering Hundred, 1666. Chicknell St. James. John Empson, 1. Little Waltham. Tho. Emerson, 3. Baddow Magna. Wm. Everson, 4. [This roll coptains 79 membranes written on both sides.]

Roll $\frac{2}{9}$, Mr. Horsnell's Account, 1666. Hundreds of Uttlesford, Tendring, Hinckford. Bardfeild Saling, John Emson, 2. Felsted, Richard Emerson, 5. William Emerson, 3. Rayne, Thomas Emerson, 1. 104 membranes.

Roll $\frac{2}{10}$, 19 Chas. II. [1667]. Wakering Magna, John Emersin, 2. Leigh, Richard Emson, 2. Rayleigh, —— Barrett, widow, 1 (now Will. Emerson [*sic*]).

Roll $\frac{2}{11}$, 27 Chas. II. [1675], 62 membs. Hundred of Chelmsford Moulsham Hamlet, Richard Empson, 2. Waltham Parva, John Emberson, 2 (exonerated by certificate). Widford, Henr. Empson, 2. Ingatestone, Thomas Emerston, 2 (exonerated by certificate). East Hanningfield, Thomas Emerson, 1. Hundred of Rochford. Wakering Magna, John Emerson, 2. Hundred of Beacontree. Dagenham, —— Emerson, gent., 2. Great Ilford Ward, Francis Emerton, 4. Hundred of Barstable. Nevendon, William Emerson, 1. Vaunge, Thomas Emerson, 4. Hundred of Witham. White Notley, Christopher Emerson, 4. [The above roll contains the Hundreds of Chelmsford, Rochford, Beacontree, Barstable, Witham, Dunmow, Tendring, Lexden, Hinckford, Chafford, Uttlesford, Freshwell, Clavering, Ongar and Waltham. It contains 62 membranes closely written on both sides, with three rows of names.]

Roll $\frac{2}{12}$. Hundred of Beacontrey. Great Ilford in Barking, Francis Emerton, 4.

Roll $\frac{2}{13}$. Hinckfoord Hundred. Toppesfield, John Emerdon, 2. Felsted, William Emberson, 3.

Roll $\frac{2}{14}$. Hundreds of Chafford, Hinckford, Chelmsford, Dengy, Liberty of Havering atte Bower and Harlow. Baddow Magna, William Everson, 8.

Roll $\frac{2}{15}$, Chas. II. [No Emersons.] [Only fragments pinned together.] Rolls $\frac{2}{16}$, $\frac{2}{17}$, $\frac{2}{18}$, $\frac{2}{19}$, $\frac{2}{20}$, $\frac{2}{21}$, $\frac{2}{22}$, $\frac{2}{23}$, $\frac{2}{24}$, $\frac{2}{25}$, $\frac{2}{26}$, nil.

SHIP MONEY—ESSEX ONLY.

State Papers, Domestic, Charles I., Vol. 358. May, 1637. Rochford Hundred. Eastwood. Out Landes. Edward Emerson, 3s. Rochford, Edward Emeson, 6s. 6d. Woodes, Edward Emeson and Richard Spite, 2s. 1d.

Hinckford Hundred. Stebbinge, Wm. Emberson, 2s. 0½d. Salinge Magna, Out Dwellers, Widowe Embersone, 2s. 4d. Rayne parva, Widow Emerson, 3s. 9d.

Chelmsford Hundred. Mousham, Richard Emson, 2s. Chignall, St. James, John Emson, 1s. 8d. Fryerning, Hugh Emerton, 5s.

SUFFOLK.

[illegible], 3 Edw. III. Hundred de Saunforde. Villat de Chelmygton cu. Wolferston, De Rogero Emme, 21d. *ob.* Carleforde. Villat de Hasketone, De Stephano Emme, 12d. Lose. Villat de Letheringham cu. Charffeld, De Elisia Emma, 12d. Lacforde. Villat de Wredelingtone, De. Willmo Hemerissone, 3s.

[illegible], 14 Hen. VIII. Hundred of Wylfford. Wykham, Johes Amyson in goodes, . . . [illegible]. Town of Bury St. Edmunds. Ryebygate Ward, John Emson, 40s.—12d. Hundred of Thyngoo. Hansted, Roger Hemson, £20—20s. [No Emersons or Embersons in any of the other rolls on the enclosed list of Subsidy Rolls, Suffolk.]

[illegible], for 31 Edw. I., nil. Rolls [illegible] for 14 Hen. VIII., nil. Hearth Tax Rolls [illegible], nil.

HEARTH TAXES, SUFFOLK, 1670.

(All searched.)

Roll [illegible]. Eye, not chargeable. Robt. Ewersum, 1. Oakly, not chargeable. John Emerson, 1.

Roll [illegible] [Car. II. and later.] Portions of Assessments of subsidies (including hearth taxes) on the inhabitants of divers parts of the County of Suffolk.

Roll [illegible], Hoxon Hundred. Hoxon Town. John Emerson, 4. Ho . . . t. Jo. Emerson, 4.

Roll [illegible], Brandiston. Legally certified for. Wid. Mann, John Emerson, 2. Easton, Jo. Emerson, 4. . . . . Emerson, 1.

SUFFOLK SHIP-MONEY RETURN.

Harl. MS. 7540, fo. 46.

Stow Hundred. The Constables rate of Buxall for the Inhabitants thereof. Thomas Enersone, sen., 25s. ? Edward Enersone, 12s. 6d. Thomas Enersone, jun., 15s. Helmingham. A Rate made the 25 daye of Marche, 1640, for the sum of £21 towards the setting forth of a shipe for his Matie.'s Service. William Amersonne, 4s. Brissett Magna. A rate there made by the constables and other inhabitants of the said towne towards the building of a shippe of six hundred tunnes, the 27th day of Marche, 1640. Anthony Everson, 13s. 5½d. Wickhamskeyth. A Rate made 6 Ap., 1640, for levying £22 4s. 6d., being the proportion assessed upon the said town. Richard (?) Emsden, 8d. [Ric. Emsden appears also in Thornham Magna.] Fr singfield, Boxne Hund. A Rate made 7 May, 1640, for the sum of £46 8s. 6d. Roger Emerson, 6s. Saxted, March 25th, 1640. A rate made, etc. John Amerson, 3s. Hoxne. A rate made 30 March, 1640. Robert Emeson, 1s. Wingfield. A rate made 28 March, 1640. John Emerson, 1s. 9d. Playford. A rate made 29 March, 1640. Rennould Emmersonne, 17s. 10d.

NORFOLK.

Roll [illegible], 6 Edward III. Flicham, De Rogero. fil. Emme, 4s. 4d. Hokeringge De Will. Enessone, 12d. Villat de Dilham, De Willo. fil. Emme, 8d. Villata de Hapisburgh, De Joh. fil. Emme, 8d. [This Roll [illegible] consists of 84 membranes, written in double columns on both sides of the membranes, and has taken three hours and a quarter to search.]

Roll [illegible], 4 Richard II. Ruscheworth, Joh. Emmesson, 4d.

Roll [illegible], 15 Henry VIII. Hundred of Waylond. Villa de Cartbroke, of Robert Emyson, 4d.—20s. Roll [illegible], 14 Henry VIII. Hundred of Eyngsford. Geystwyte [Gwestwick], Robert Empson, in wages, 20s.—4s. Hundred of South Erpingham. Laumes, Edward Empson, in moveables, 20s.—4d. Oulton, John Empson, in moveables, 30s.—4d. Skeyton, Walter Empson, 20s.—4d. Aylysham, Stephyn Empson, in moveables, 20s.—4d. Roll [illegible], 16 Henry VIII. Bishop's Lynn, John Emerson, in goods, 40s.—12d. Roll [illegible], 16 Henry VIII. Hundred of Gallowe. Riburgh Magna, William Emson, in wages, 20s.—4d. Sydesterne, Richard Emson, in goods, £4—2s. Roll [illegible], 14 Henry VIII. The Hundred of Holt. Holt Market, Edward Emerson, in goods, 40s.—12d. Roll [illegible], 15 Henry VIII. Hundred of Hennested. Shotysham, John Emson, in moveables, £3—18d. Roll [illegible], 15 Henry VIII. Hundred of Tunsted. North Walsham, Cecyly Empson, in moveables, 40s.—12d. Felmyngham, Robert Emson, in moveables, 40s.—12d. Hundred of Happing. Catfield, William Emson, in moveables, 20s.—4d.

Rolls [illegible] for 31 Edw. I., nil. [illegible] for 6 Edw. III., nil. [illegible], for 4 Ric. II., nil. [illegible], 14 Henry VII., nil.

Hearth Tax, Charles II.

No. [illegible] [1672]. Hundred of Blofield. Wickhampton, Thos. Emerson, 1. Hundred of Clackelose. [Town illegible] (Hilgay ?), Eliz. Emerson, 1. Hundred of Eynsford. Woodnorton, Jam. Emerson, 1; Guist, Widow Emers. . . . Hundred of East Flegg. Scrowthy, Thos. Emerson, 3. Hundred of Gallow. Riburgh pva., Wm. Emmerson, 1. Hundred of Grimshoe. Methold, Chas. Emmerton, 1; Rob. Emmerson, 1. Hundred of North Greenhoe. [Name torn away] Widd. Emmerson, 1; Berny, Jno. Emerson, 1. Hundred of South Erpingham. Wickmore, Robert Emerson, 3 Hundred of Smithdon. Dockinge, Thos. Emerson, 1. Hundred of Tunsted. Swaffield, Rich. Emerson, 2. Hund. of Yarmouth Magna. [Name torn away], Widd. Emerson, 1. No. [illegible]. Hundred of Clackclose. Hellgay, Christ. Emerson, 3; Mary Emer . . . , 2. Henry Ward, Henry Emerson, 1. Hundred of Tunsted. Paston, Henry Emerson, 1. No. [illegible]. City of Norwich. [Ward illegible], William Emerton, 2. No. [illegible]. Hundred of Disse. Dickleburgh, Robert Emerson, 3. No. [illegible]. Hundred of West Flegg. North Reppes, Allen Emerson, 3. No. [illegible]. Hundred of Disse. Dickleburgh, Rob. Emerson, 3. [The above are all about 1672, but the date is not on all of them.] Additional Lay Subsidies: No. [illegible], Ladyday, 1666. Hundred of North Greenhoe. Hindringham, Anne Emerson paid for fire hearth, 1s. Binham, John Emerson paid for fire hearth, 1s. Walsingham Magna, Edm. Emerson paid for fire hearth, 1s. Hundred of Gallow, Rob. Emerson paid for fire hearth, 1s. No. [illegible], Ladyday, 1666. City of Norwich. St. Peter's, Wm. Emerson, 3. No. [illegible], 1665. Yarmouth Magna First North Ward, Edmond Emerson, 3. Hundred of Clackclose. Hilgay, William Emerson, 2. Hundred of Gallow. Little Riburgh, Willm. Emerson, 1. No [illegible], 1665. City of Norwich. St. Peter of Mancroft, William Emerson. Nos. [illegible], do not contain any Emersons. Some of the above rolls are of great length, one containing 57 membranes, with double rows of names written on both sides. Unfortunately nearly all the rolls are much torn.]

SURREY.

[illegible], 28 Edw. I., nil. [illegible], 6 Edw. III., nil. A very long roll, quite illegible in places. Took me over two hours to search. [illegible], 4 Ric. II., nil. [illegible], 14 Henry VIII., nil. [illegible], Farnham Town. William Emery in goods, 40s.—12d. [No Emersons or Emberson in any of the above rolls, a great many of which are quite illegible in places even with a glass.]

MUSTERS, LINCOLNSHIRE.

Chapter House Books, No. 21, Hen. VIII.

Sanstrope. Able persons within the said towne. Wyllm. Emson . . . Burghe. John Ematson is charged with one harnys. Byllesby. Able persones within the said town. Richard Emerson . . . Willm. Emerson.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

Wynchecombe. b[illman], John Amory. No Emersons.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

Weldon Magna. Henry Emerey, archer. Newton Magna. William Embre, billman. Stanyone. Robert Emerton, archer.

MUSTERS, LINCOLNSHIRE.

Exchequer Q.R. Accounts, etc.

Bundle 59, No. 12. The Wapentake of Lawres. Scothorne. William Emson, archer.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

Bundle 59, No. 19. Luffywyke and Sudborow. Edmond Emere, billman.

Q.R. CERTIFICATES OF RESIDENCE.

Letter E., Bdles. 1—4.

[Bundle 1.] 8 Jan., 37 Eliz. [1595]. (?) Emerye, Richd., of Winchester, Mercer, in bon., £6—16s. 12 Jan., 38 Eliz., 1590. (?) Emerye, Robt., of Westm., in bonis, £12—12s. [Bundle 2.] 12 Jan., 36 Eliz. [1594]. (?) Emerie, Richarde, of Winchester, Mercer, in bo., £5—13s. 4d 20 Feb., 1603. Emerson, Humfr., of St. Saviour's, Southwark, in bon, 8s—8d. 27 Maie, 10 Eliz. (?) Emery, Edward, Hundr. of Normancrosse, Hunts., in goodes, £15—15s. [Bundle 3.] 18 Dec., 1620. Emerson, Thomas, Kent. Hundr. of Blackheath, ar. in bon., £8—13s. 4d. [Bundle 4.] 18 Jas. [I.] Midd. Hadley, Emerson, Thomas, Ar. Comiss. inter al. in tert., £20—50s. 4d. 20 May, 19 Jas. [I.]. Hunt., Hund. de Hurstingstone. Stukeley Parva, Ricus Emerson, in bonis, £3—8s. 29 Nov., 1624. Midd. Hund. de Edmonton.

Emerson, Jane, vid. in terr., £10—40s. 8 Feb., 1607. London, Ward de Castlebaynard. Emerson, Edrus, in bon., £3—5s. [These are arranged under letters. Only E. examined.]

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MS. 6281, Nomina Villarum, 1316—1559—no Emersons. Shirley's English Deer Parks—nil. Ex. F. 27, XCVIII. Green's Library (Bodleian) is a book of pedigrees once belonging to Joseph Williamson. Reading Herald's Visitation of York, Derby (1569), Notts (1569), Northumberland (1575), Durham in 1575, "per W. Flower Norroy," and 1569. Tho. Tonge Norroy "made his visitation in the northe partes, Ao. Dom., 1530." In none of the pedigrees can I find any allusion to Emerson.—F. Y.-P. Bishop's Temporalities. There are several rolls, etc., that seem unlikely in the Calendar I have looked through Nos. 609 and 610, two rolls which seemed likely to yield names—nil. Surtees' History of Durham, 3 vols. Hutchinson's Hist. of Durham, 3 vols. Foley's Hist. of Jesuits, 6 vols. Burke's Landed Gentry, 1852—nil. Nicoll's Collect. Topog. et Genealog. Neal's History of the Puritans and Protestant Nonconformists, 5 vols., 1822—nil. Burne's Hist. of Congregationalism in Norfolk and Suffolk—nil. 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Dom., Eliz., Vol. 77, No. 8—nil. Liber Niger Scaccarii: Hearne, edo. prima, 1728, ed. altera, 1771—nil. Ayloffe's Cat. of Anc. Charters—nil. Placita de quo Warranto: Printed Calendar (Edw. I., II. and III.)—nil. Calr. Rotul. Chartarum: Printed (A.D. 1196—1216), 1837—nil. Rotuli Hundred, 2 vols., printed (Hen. III. and Edw. I.)—nil. Cal. Rotulor Originalium: (Hen. III. to Edw. III.) 2 vols., printed—nil. Rotuli de Oblatis and Finibus: (*Tempe* R. Johannis) Printed 1835—nil. Roberts Excerpta e Rotulis Finium: (*Tempe* H. III.) 2 vols., printed—nil. Chapter House Records, Vol. 77: Black Book of the Northern Forests, containing the forests of Sherwood (not searched), Haytefield, Galtres (not searched), Middleham, Rothbury (not searched), Inglewood, Teesdale and Pickering (the three last not searched because they are not in co. Durham); *Temp.* Hen. VIII. 5 June, 30 Hen. VIII., Haytefield, *fo.* 7: The Custos de Brodelhome sayeth that one Richarde Emerson and others [? servants to Sir Robt. Shefelde (illegible through blackening of parchment)], about 6 years ago, slew three deer. Harl. MS. 3882, Notes and Pedigrees of the Neville family: Examined carefully all parts concerning the family Lords of Raby Brancepeth and generally for North of England—nil. Kirby's Quest contains no returns of Knights Fees from the co. Palatine of Durham. Testa de Nevill: The same applies to the Testa de Neville, and other records of Crown possessions. The Crown administered the revenues, etc., of the see of Durham, only when that see was vacant. Hutchinson's History of Northumberland—nil. Morant's Essex, 2 vols., 1768—nil. Wilson's Hist. of Merchant Taylors' School—nil. Wright's Essex, 2 vols.—nil. Clutterbuck's Herts—nil. J. E. Cussan's Hist. of Herts, 3 vols. Chauncey's Herts, 2 vols. Salmon's Herts. Sir Ralph Sadler and his times—E. Ogborne's Essex, 1 vol., 1814—nil; A. Suckling's Memorials of Essex, 1815; Lyson's Environs, Vol. IV.—nil; J. Norden's Essex, 1594—nil. And many others of which no record was kept.

Durham Feet of Fines.

File 1, Ed. VI.—Philip and Mary; File 2, 5—15 Eliz.; File 3, 34—36 Eliz.; File 4, 37—42 Eliz.—nil. There are great gaps and the files in filthy condition, covered with dust, torn, and a few illegible.—E. W.

Package 2, 1—5 James I. Final agreement made in the Court of the King at Durham at the Assizes held there on Monday, 21 July, 5 Jas. I. [1607], between Brian Emerson, plt. [what he was is not stated], and Ralph Fetherstonhaughe, gent., defendant, of 1 messuage, 1 garden, 1 orchard, 10 a. of land, 20 a. of meadow, 10 a. of pasture and common of pasture for all beasts in Rokopsyde, in the parish of Standhoppe. The said Ralph acknowledged the said premises to be the right of the said Brian, and the same remised to him and his heirs for ever. For this agreement the said Brian gave to the said Ralph £41.

Final Agreement made at Durham on Monday, 6 August, 2 Jas. I. [1604], between William Emmerson, plt., and William Grene and Elizabeth, his wife, defendants, of 1 messuage, 1 cottage, 1 garden, etc., etc., in Barmeton. The said William and Elizabeth acknowledged the said premises to be the right of the said William Emmerson, and the same remised to him and his heirs for ever. For this agreement the said William Emmerson gave to them £180.

Nothing in Packet 10—12 James I.

Package 3, 13 and 14 Jas. I. Final agreement made at Durham, 20 . . . . between Thomas Aysley, plt., and Edward Emerson, gent., and Anne, his wife, and Thomas Weldon, defts., of 1 messuage, 3 tofts, 2 gardens, etc., etc., in Coveshowses, in the parish of Wolsingham. The said Edward and Anne and Thomas acknowledge the said premises to be the right of the said Thomas Aysley, and the same remise to him and his heirs for ever. The said Thomas gave to the said Edward and Anne and Thomas, £200.

15—20 Jas. I. Final agreement made at Durham on Monday, 12 August, 20 Jas. I. [1622], between Anthony Emerson, plt., and George Fletcher and Anne, his wife, James Conyers and Katherine, his wife, and Thomas Garfoote and Elizabeth, his wife, defts., of 3 messuages, 3 gardens, 3 orchards and common of pasture in the city of Durham. The said George and Anne, James and Katherine and Thomas and Elizabeth, acknowledged the said premises to be the right of the said Anthony, and the same remised to him and his heirs for ever, for which he gave them £41.

Final agreement made at Durham, on Monday, 3 August, 16 Jas. I. [1618], between Thomas Aysley, plt., and Ralph Emerson and Mary, his wife, defts., of 1 messuage, 3 tofts, 2 gardens, etc., etc., in Coveshowses, in the parish of Wolsingham. The said Ralph and Mary acknowledged the said premises to be the right of the said Thomas, and the same remised to him and his heirs for ever, for which he gave them 100 marks of silver.

Final agreement made at Durham on Monday, 3 Aug., 16 Jas. I. [1618], between Anthony Emerson, plt., and George Fletcher, deft., of 1 messuage, 1 toft and 1 garden in Clapurth, in the city of Durham. The said George acknowledged the said tenements to be the right of the said Anthony, and the same remised to him and his heirs for ever, for which the said Anthony gave him £41.

* Final agreement made at Durham on Monday, 3 Aug., 16 Jas. I. [1618], between Edward Cropley, plt., and Thomas Emerson, Esq., and Jane, his wife, defts., of the manor of Parva Chilton, 50 messuages, 20 cottages, 3 dovecotes, 60 gardens, etc., etc., in Parva Chilton. The said Thomas and Jane acknowledged, etc., as above. [The end of the fine is torn away.] * *Vide* Emersons of Co. Surrey.

Package 4, Chas. I. Final agreement made at Durham on Monday, 6 August, 8 Chas. I. [1632], between William Brasse, gent., and Thomas Jackson, gent., plts., and George Emerson and Margaret, his wife, deft., of 1 messuage, 1 barn, etc., etc., in Barmeton, for which the said William and Thomas gave to the said George and Margaret 100 marks of silver.

Final agreement made at Durham on Monday, 6 Aug., 8 Chas. I. [1632], between William Brasse, gent., and Thomas Jackson, gent., plts., and William Emerson and Anne, his wife, defts., of all the tithes of grain, sheaves and hay yearly forthcoming in Thorp Thewles, Fulthorp, Parva Stainton, East and West Newbiggin, Middle Newbiggin and Pittfeild, the said William and Thomas to hold the same during the natural lives of Anne, one of the daughters of John Shaw, late of Corneforth, yeoman, deceased; of William Shaw, son of William Shaw, of Thrialington, and of William Eden, son of William Eden, of Whitton. For this fine the said William Brasse and Thomas Jackson paid to the said William Emerson and Anne £100.

Final agreement made the said day and year between John Bucke, gent., and Thomas Richardson, gent., plts., and William Emerson and Anne, his wife, defts., of 4 messuages, 2 barns, etc., etc., in Corneforth and Thorp Thewles, for which the said John and Thomas gave to the said William and Anne £100.

Final agreement made at Durham, 4 Aug., 10 Chas. I. [1634], between Lancelot Dawson and Lawrence Emerson, plts., and Francis Emerson and Jane, his wife, defts., of 3 messuages, 2 tofts, 2 gardens and pasture for 2 beasts in the parish of Darlington, for which the said Lancelot and Lawrence gave to the said Francis and Jane £100.

Final agreement made at Durham, 7 Aug., 13 Chas. I. [1637], between John Tood and Robert Todd, plts., and Robert Emerson, deft., of 2 messuages, 8 a. of meadow, etc., in Bellersyde, in the parish of Wolsingham. [Amount not stated.]

Final agreement made at Durham, 5 August, 15 Chas. I. [1639], between Henry Thompson, Alderman of the City of York, plt., and Francis Emerson and Jane, his wife, defts., of 3 messuages, 2 tofts, etc., in the parish of Darlington, for which he gave them £40.

"Emersons Copyholders, Co. of Durham.

The rolls are in a bad state, and prior to 1635 no Indexes exist.

1635—1660. Emerson, Brian, de novo, Wolsingham.* Emerson, Francis, from Thos. Emerson, Darlington. Emerson, Lawr., from Thos. Emerson, Darlington. Emerson, Fras., from Thos. Emerson, Darlington. Emerson, Lawr., to Thos. Emerson, Darlington. Emerson, Lend., from John Apleby, Darlington. Emerson, Arthur, tutor to Robert Emerson, Wolsingham. Emerson, Lawr., from Leonard Emerson, Darlington. Emerson, Xpus., p.m. from Author Meaburn. Emerson, Ralph, to Ralph Emerson, Wolsingham. Emerson, Jane, from Ralph Emerson, Wolsingham. Emerson, Laur., from Thos. Emerson, Cockerton. Emerson, George, from Author Emerson, Wolsingham. Emerson, Ralph, from John Emerson. Emerson. Arthur, from Thos. Johnson, Lynesack. Emerson, Wm., from Ralph Emerson, Lynesack. Emerson, Anna, from George Emerson. Emerson, Margt., from relict of Thos. Ayre, etc., etc. Emerson, Jane and Henry, from Wm. Emerson. Emerson, Wm., from Wm. Emerson. Emerson, Wm., from Wm. Emerson and Brian Emerson, Stanhope. * Stanhope formed part of the Manor of Wolsingham.

1660—1706. Emerson, Thos., to Robt. and Wm. Wild, (Darlington). Emerson, Anth., to F. Callaghan (Chester). Emerson, Ralph, to Jo. Emerson, Stanhope. Emerson, Thos., to Wm. Church, Darlington. Emerson, Thos., et ux., to Wm. Cornforth, etc., etc., Darlington. Emerson, Nich., et ux., to Robt. Snawdon, Carlton (? Stockton). Emerson, Thos., to Chris. Todd, Byers Green. Emerson, Thos., senr., to Robert and W. Ward, Darlington. Emerson, Eleanor, et ux., to John Rippon, Lynesack. Emerson, Thos., and ors., to Henry Thompson, Darlington. Emerson, Thos., and ors., to Thos. Hodgson, Lynesack. Emerson, Widow, to Maria Emerson, Byers Green. Emerson, Grace, Wid., and ors., to Thos. Fetherstonhalf (Stanhope). Emerson, Thos., and ors., to John Pilkington. Emerson, Thos., et ux., to Simon Lodge, Lynesack. Emerson, John, to Thos. Powell, Stanhope. Emerson, Thos., et ux., to John Pilkington, Bondgate. Emerson, John, to Margt. Emerson, Wolsingham. Emerson, Maria, to Wm. Wright, Byers Green. Emerson, Thos., et ux. and ors., to Adam Gofton, Lynesack. Emerson, Robert, to Ralph Sidgwick, Lynesack. 1676, Emerson, John and Geo., to Thomas Hopper, Wolsingham. 1677, Emerson, Eliz. and Thos., to John Morland, Bondgate, Darlington. 1680, Emerson, John and Eliz., to Dul. Taylor, Darlington. Emerson, John and Eliz., to ——, Wolsingham. 1681, Emerson, John and Eliz., to John Wright, Darlington. 1683, Emerson, Arthur, et ux., to Martin Dun. Emerson, Lawrence, to Francis Emerson, Wearhead. 1684, Emerson, Arthur, et ux., to Jo. Errington, Chester. Emerson, Wm., et ux., to —— Davison, Stanhope. 1685, Emerson, Ralph, to Thos. Smith, Stanhope. 1686, Emerson, Ralph, and ors., to Robert Gray, Stanhope. 1687, Emerson, Thos, and ors., to Wm. Blackett, Lynesack. Emerson, Ralph, to Robert Gray, Stanhope. 1689, Emerson, Wm. and Wo., to Thos. Wharton, Stanhope. Emerson, Thos, and ors., to John Sanderson, Lynesack. 1693, Emerson, James, and ors., to John Morton. 1694, Emerson, Francis, and ors., to Nich. Cockfield, Haughton. 1697, Emerson, William and ux., to Geo. Emerson, Lynesack. Emerson, Anna, to Henry Smith. 1698, Emerson, Francis, to Thos. Simpson, and ors., Bondgate. Emerson, Francis, to Wm. Young, Cockerton. 1701, Emerson, Francis, and ors., to Jos. Fisher, Cockerton. 1702, Emerson, George, to Geo. Smith, Chester. 1704, Emerson, John, and ors., to Ralph Thompson, Bondgate. 1705, Emerson, Francis, and ors., to Nic. Hardcastle, Haughton. Emerson, Francis, and ors., to Rich. Hilton, Blackwell. 1706—1720, Emerson, Wm., to Thos. Blackett, Lynesack. —— to Nich. Blackett, Lynesack. Emerson, Margt., p.m. to husband, Lynesack. Emerson, Isa. and Francis, Darlington. Emerson, Wm., to Thos. Todd, Bedburn Emerson, Wm., to Thos. Ovington, Wolsingham. Emerson, Jno., to Barba. Chapman, Wolsingham. Emerson, Wm. and Thos., to John Helmrow, Lynesack. Emerson, ——, to Jno. Shaw, Lynesack. Emerson, Tobias, to Jno. Taylor, Evenwood. Emerson, Geo. and Anr., to Jno. Greenwell, Wolsingham. Emerson, Anna, p.m., to husband, Tobias, Evenwood. Emerson, Ra., to father, Evenwood. Emerson, John, to Thos. Farrow, Sedgefield. Emerson, George, to Jno. Hutchinson, Wolsingham. Emerson, George, to Jno. Greenwell, Wolsingham. Emerson, Thos. and Margt., to Robt. Greenwell, Byers Green. Emerson, George, p.m., to Brother Chris., Lynesack. Emerson, George, to Wm. Bell, Lynesack."—J. H. H.

Surtees Society Publications.

Abstracts re Emerson.

No. 4, Part 3. "Testamenta Eboracensia," p. 138, No. LXXII. Will of Dame Elizabeth Vavasor, of Thornton-le-Hill. [Reg. Test. iii., 3316.] June 13, 1498. Jacobum Grenewod et Willelmum Emerson ordino executores meos." (Note.—Widow of William Vavasour, of Thornton, gen., who made his will November 2, 1476. To Henry and Edward Vavasour and Richard Emerson he left a horse each.)

No. 6. Priory of Finchale, Co. Durham. P. LXVI., "Compotus Dom. Thomæ Dautre Prioris de Finchale." A.D. 1411 to Xmas. Arreragia, De Willielmo Emeryson pro Smalleys, ij. term, ij.s. vj.d.

Nos. 7 and 8. No mention of Emerson. No 9, p. CCCLXXXVII., 1497. CCCI., "Nota deliberacionum Sigillorum Johannis Sherewood quondam episcopi Dunelm . . . . . Ricardo Emeryson scriba Registri domini Prioris Dunelm, et notario publico."

Nos. 10, 11, 12. No mention of Emerson. No. 13. Liber Vitæ Eccles. Dunelm, p. 126. "Anno Domini M. LXVII. (*sic*)." (Note at bottom of page. "In various hands of the fifteenth century.") Ricardus Emerson. Isabella Emerson. P. 134. Georgius Emerson et uxor ejus. Vol. 13, Liber Vitæ. Extract from "The Rites of Durham":—"There did lie on the High Altar an excellent fine book, very richly covered with gold and silver, containing the names of all the benefactors towards St. Cuthbert's Church from the very original foundations thereof, the very letters of the book being for the most part all gilt." It is the only document spared by time which throws light upon the benefactors of Durham during the period anterior to the Norman Conquest. The title, Liber Vitæ, was that given to such books by the Church. The fact of the benefactor's name being therein recorded was coupled with the prayer that the same name might at last find a place in the Book of Life. (In handwriting of Fifteenth Century, p. 126). Ricardus Emerson, Esabella Emerson. [Have looked through several volumes, but cannot find the one containing the will, the reference to which is incorrect.]

No. 14. Bowes Correspondence. No. 15. Rites of

Durham. No. 16A. Anglo-Saxon Psalter, Vol. I. No. 16B. Anglo-Saxon Psalter, Vol. II. Nil.

No. 17. The Correspondence of Dr. Matthew Hutton. No. CLXXIV., p. 273. In Margin, xvij. die Jan., a°. Eliz. Rne. xxvij. Ad. ter. lxx. annor, p. ann., lxij.li. xx d. "A breefe note of the particulers demised by Ric., late Lord Bishop of Duresme to the Queen's Majestie." 7. All that grange, ffarme, or tenement commonlie called Cowden Grange; and all that the manor, ffarme, or towne of Morton, nere Houghton, in the Co. of Duresme; and also all those xiij. messuages, lands and tenements within the parke of Stanhopp, called Stanhopp Park in Wendaile, within the said countie palatyne of Duresme, at a place called the Westgate, and to the sea of the Bishoprick of Duresme appertayning, and now or late in the severall occupacion of William Stobbes, Nich. Fetherston, Raphe Emerson of the Springe Howse, William Emersonn, Wydow Bainbrige, Georg. Miers, John Emerson, William Harison, George Robinson, Thomas Yong, John Frier, Nich. Stobbes and Raph Stobbes, with all howses, etc.; and also one close called Bishop Close, or Skelton cowe pasture; and one other close called the Bishop Close, or Saltmarshe cowe pasture. xxj. die mensis Julij, A. Dni. 1585.

No. 19. Life of St. Godric. (No. 18 See later on.) (No mention of Emerson.) No. 20. Ecclesiastical Proceedings. (No mention.) No. 21. Injunctions and other Ecclesiastical Proceedings of Richard Barnes, Bishop of Durham, from 1575 to 1587. Page 54. Chancellor's Visitations, Jan. and Feb., 1578. Stranton Ecclesia. Richardus Rawlinge, vicarius ibidem. Ægrotat, Johannes Casson, clericus parochialis ibidem. Willielmus Buckle, Thomas Martyn, Christoferus Corker et Thomas Emerson, gardiani Stanhop in Wardell cum Capella Sancti Johannis ibidem. P. 58. Georgius Emerson de Eastyeat, Johannes Emerson de Burnehop, Alexander Bradley et Radulphus Morgan, gardiani. Personaliter. P. 126. 1580, 2 July. Stanhope. The office of the Judge against Ann Emerson, wife of Lancelot Emerson. "Detect of Witchcraft." P. 128. 1579, 11 Dec. Branspeth. The office of the Judge against William Emerson. "He sware a terrible othe in the churche." To do penance in his church and to certify. Appendix No. X., p. CVI. The Will of John Semer, Vicar of Stranton. Dated "The XVth day of Maii, in the yere of our Lorde a thowsand fyve hundrethe syxtye and one." . . . . . "I give to Fraunces Emmerson my house and all my lande in the Towne feilds of Redmarshall, and after the lyfe naturall of the said Fraunces the said house and lannde to remane to John Emmerson, sonne to the said Fraunces, and to his heires for ever. I gyve to Fraunces Emmerson my cupborde in the hall house. I gyve to John Emmerson in money iij.l. vj.s. viij.d., with one belde stirke. I gyve to my syster Emmerson off Brearton one belde cowe and x.s. in money . . . . . I gyve to Robert Emmerson's childe one yowe. I gyve to Thomas Emmerson's sonne one yowe. I gyve to Ailsie Emmerson and to Jane Emmerson, either of them, one sylver spone . . . . . The residewe of my goods not bequiethed, my debts and legacs. paid, my funerall expenss diduct, I gyve to Wm. Dodshone, Fraunces. Emmerson, Robert Emmerson and Sr. James Lakenbye, Priest, whome I make my Executors of this my last Will and Testament." XIV., p. CXXIX. The Will of Sir Robert Richerdson, Parson of Redmarshall . . . . . "Item, John Emerson and George Jenkingson owethe for a brawne, xij.s."

No. 18. "The Durham Household Book." P. 47. "Et soluti Nicholao Emerson et Rogero Baynbryge, 21 December, anno 1531, in partem solucionis de 20 loyde ure plumbi ad ts. le loyd, cum cariagio suis sumptibus propriis ad Shytleyburne super terram Prioris de Fynkhall, 53s. 4d."

No. 22. "Latin Hymns of the Anglo-Saxon Church." No. 23. "A Memoir of Robert Surtees, Esq., M.A., F.S.A." No. 24. "Boldon Buke: a Survey of See of Durham." No mention of Emerson in these vols.

No. 26. The Pontifical of Egbert, Archbishop of York, A.D. 732—766. No. 27 (4 parts). The Lindisfarne and Rushworth Gospels. (No Emersons.) No. 28. The Inventories and Account Rolls of the Benedictine Houses or Cells of Jarrow and Monk-Wearmouth, in the County of Durham. P. 124. Computi Domus de Jarowe, cxliv., MCCCCXCIIJ.—IIIJ. Dominus Robertus Billingham. Cow 16 sold, £6 18s. 8d. Expenses. Thomæ Sawer pro sarcacione viij. rodarum burdarum et iiij. par de lez waynblaydez, xvj s. v. qu frumenti pro semine, xviij.s. Et Rowlando Emerson pro agestamentis animalium in Wardell, xix.s.

Vol. 29. "Inventories of Jarrow and Monk-Wearmouth, cxliv., 1493—4." "Dominus Robertus Billingham" . . . "Et Roulando Emerson pro agestamentis animalium in Wardell, xix.s." Vol. 30. [See Vol. 4.] Vol. 31. "Obituary Roll of William Ebchester and John Burney, Priors of Durham." (No mention of Emerson.) Vol. 32. "Bishop Hatfield's Survey." "Southbedburn, Liber Tenentes" . . . "Robertus Emerisson ten. j. mess. et xxx. acr. terræ, voc. Bedburnhalle red. p. a. ad festum Pentecostes et Sancti Martini, quolibet anno, 8s." (p. 54). "Terræ Scaccarii" . . . "Robertus Emerisson ten. j. placeam prati, voc. Gibbesclos, red. p. a. 3s." (page 56). Stanhop. "Robertus Emerisson ten. x. acr. terræ *ibid.* (Horsleyburnfield) quondam Adæ Browne, red. p. a. 20d." (p. 68). "Robertus Emeryson, ten. j. mess. et iij. acr. terræ quondam Johannis Seman ren. p. a. 6d." (p. 69). [Survey compiled between 1377 and 1380.]

Vol. 33. "Rural Economy in Yorkshire." Vol. 34. "The Acts of the High Commission Court." (Diocese of Durham.) George Wawdy, of Ludworth. For abusing Mr. Liveley (one of the Commissioners), (1628, Jan. 24). "Proofs of incontinency with Anne Emerson, of Ludworth." (1628, Feb. 7). "Wawdie did buy Anne Emerson a savegarde of green carsie." [Note.—"A riding skirt or large outer petticoat."] Oct. 2nd. "Wawdy purges himself by 11 yeomen, compurgators of incontinence, with Anne Emerson" (p. 14). "William Emmerson. Clandestine marriage. 1633, July 11. With his father, whoe lay verie sick, soe as he durst not leave him. Nov. 7. Had confessed that he was married in a barne of his owne at Barneton par. Houghtoun, and that the marriage was made by a strainger. To acknowledge his offence publiquelie, in his penitenciall habit, in the parish church at Haughtoun, or att the markett crosse of Durham, on some Sundaie or markett daie, as alsoe paie £100 fine to his Majestie. Nov. 28. Appeared not. Bond of £200 forfeited and to be certified. 1634, Feb. 11. £20 penaltie forfeited. Mar. 4. Committed into custodie of the messinger, untill he should enter good bond for performance. Mar. 9. Entered bond for appearance and was released" (p. 49). Apr. 1. "Thomas Emmersoun, his brother, made oath that he lay sicke. Apr. 20. Could not travell. June 25. Paied costs. Bonds cancelled. Finallie dismissed." Robert Emmersoun. Clandestine marriage. 1633. Sep. 5. Messinger had left notice at Emmerson's house in Wardaile, with his mother-in-law and wife. £20 forfeited. Oct. 17, £40 forfeited. Nov. 7, £40; Nov. 28, £20. 1634, Jan. 14, £40. Feb. 11, £50. Mar. 4, £50. April 1, £60. June 20, another attachment, with intimacion under same penalty. ["The case now sleeps hopelessly, for not one personal service had yet been made."] (Further fines at intervals.) July 23. Attachment renewed (p. 70). Raph Emmerson. For the like. 1633, Sep. 5. Could not be found. Oct. 17. "Was formerlie called for the offence, and did undergoe punishment. Dismissed, soe as he paied the charges of court" (p. 17). Rowland Emmerson. 1633. Adulterie. Catherine Meaborne, of Pontupp, spinster. [Note: "Youngest dau. of Anthony Meaburne, of Pontup, gent., by Catherine Emerson. Her father died in 1614."] "Contemptuous woordes. Charged to be a recusant Papist. Had not repaired to the church to heare divine service. In contempt of the religion now established had abused the children of Tho. Hopper, of Pontupp, calling them 'heretickes and hellratchettes.' 1635, Ap. 23. Attachments, bonds, etc. Oct. 24. Her bond discharged and cancelled" (p. 119).

Vol. 35. "The Fabric Rolls of York Minster." (No mention of Emerson.) Vol. 36. "The Visitation of the Co. of Yorke." (No mention of Emerson.) Vol. 37, "Miscellanea" (no Emerson), and Vol. 47 (in two parts) [see later]. Vol. 38, 39. [See Vol. 28.] Vol. 40. "Depositions from the Castle of York." Aug. 31, 1651. "John Thompson. For being a Seminary Priest." "Hee saith hee was apprehended in Hemsley, att one Daniell Emerson's house," p. 48, xl. XCVI. "Mary Johnson and others for Witchcraft. Aug. 8, 1661. Before John Emerson, Esq., Mayor of Newcastle," p. 88. CLXII. "Emmy Gaskin. For Witchcraft. July 4, 1667. Newcastle-upon-Tyne. Before John Emerson, Mayor," p. 154. CLXXVI. "Richd. Gilpin, Clerk, and others. For holding a Conventicle. Aug. 4, 1699." Among persons named for being "att meetings and conventicles" . . . . "John Emerson, potter," p. 174. CXCIII. "A List of Northumbrian Recusants" . . . . . "Thomas Emerson and Geo. Pringle, gen., of Kelham," p. 207.

Vol. 41. "Heraldic Visitation of the Northern Cots.' No Emerson. Vols. 42 and 67. Memorials of Fountains Abbey. No Emerson. Vol. 43. See 28 [Lindisfarne Gospels]. Vol. 44 and Vol. 46. (See later.) Vol. 45. See 4 (York Wills). Vol. 47. "Dean Grenville's Correspondence." Appendix. Barnard Castle. Officium Dom. contra Arthurum Emerson "for not payeing Church cess.," xmo. Oct., 1675. P. 216. Contra Johann. Emerson et Annam uxorem ejis "for antenuptial fornication," 17 June, 1677. P. 217. Contra Arthurum Emerson, jun.,

"for not payeing Church cess," xmo. Oct., 1675. P. 216. Contra Thomam Emerson, mason, "for not payeing Church cess., and for not receiveing the Communion," 1677. P. 216. Contra Arthure Emerson, jun., for not paying Church cess." Ext. 6th May [in margine M. '77]. P. 217. Branspeth. Off. Dom. contra Henricum Emerson "for burying his mother and daughter out of the parishe, and for not payeing theire fees." 1677. P. 218. Gateshead. Off. Dom. contra Gulielmum Emerson and others, "Quakers," vj. Apr., 1677. P. 227. Hart. Off. Dom. contra Matheum Emerson et uxorem, "Papists," xx. Julii, 1673. P. 231. Readmershell. Off. Dom. contra Gulielmum Emerson et Lydiam Emerson "for not comeing to Church," xx. Julii, 1673. P. 239. Contra Nicholaum Emerson, Gulielmum Emerson et Lydiam Emerson, "for refusing to come to Church," xxvi. Oct., 1673. P. 239. Contra Nicholaum Emerson, Gulielmum Emerson, Lydiam Emerson, "Quakers," 9 Sept., '77. P. 239. Stanhop. Off. Dom. contra Mariam Emerson de Billingshel, Johannem Emerson de Ludwell, Johannem Emerson et uxorem de Wellop, Cuthbertum Emerson, Thomam Emerson et uxorem de Isopburne, Margaretam Emerson de Billingsheel, "for neglect of the Church," xxvj. Oct., 1673. P. 240. Margaretum, uxorem Radulphi Emerson de Billingsheel "for not comeing after her deliverance to the Church to give thanks." Contra Georgium Emerson et Petrum Viccars, Sectaries; and the sd. George Emerson "for speakeing scandalous words against the Lord's Prayer and the Apostles' Creed," 6 Julii, 1674. P. 240. Contra Georgium Emerson "pro prophanatione diei Dominici." Contra Johannem Emerson et uxorem "pro fornicatione ante matrimonium," xvi. Sept., '77. P. 241. Stranton. Off. Dom. contra Viduam Emerson et Janam filiam ejus "for not receiveing the Communion." P. 241. Whickham. Off. Dom. contra Isabellam Emerson, "Nonconformist," jmo. Feb., 1673. P. 244. Sedgefielde contra Johannem Emerson "for uncivil behaviour," ult. Jan., 1673. P. 242. Wearmouth Episcopi. Contra Gulielmum Emerson "for prophaneing the Lord's Day," Oct., '73. P. 246.

Vols. 44 and 46. "The Priory of Hexham." (No mention of Emerson.) Vol. 48. (See 28) "Lindisfarne Gospels." Vol. 49. "Survey of Co. of York," 13 Ed. I., (1284—5). (No Emerson.)

Vol. 50. "Memoirs of Mr. Ambrose Barnes." In account of death of Mrs. Barnes, mention is made of a "Mrs. Emmerson, whose husband had been Mayor of Newcastle." [Note: John Emerson, Esq., Merchant Adventurer and Alderman, was Mayor in 1660. He died 9 Aug., 1673, and his tombstone in St. Nicholas also commemorates his son-in-law Thomas Jenison, Esq., Mercht. Advr. and Aldn., and sometime Mayor, who died 7 Dec., 1676, and Alice, his wife. The arms on the stone give those of Emerson impaling the coats of three wives, Shafto, Lawson, and Sanderson. P. 71.] Mention is made of a family named Airey, p. 75, and of the flagstone in Gateshead church to the memory of George Airey, mercer. An old bookplate of John Airey, Esq., described. "Mr. Turner thinks he was a butler in the Liddell family." [Sharp, MSS.]. When his son Thomas was apprenticed to George Liddle, hostman, in 1713, and his son, a younger George, was apprenticed in 1710 to Wm. Emerson, hostman, he, the father, is styled gent." "Ambrose Barnes, Esq., one of the aldermen of Newcastle, took the oaths of supremacy and allegiance 27 Oct., 1660, before John Emmerson, Esq., Mayor of Newcastle," p. 100. In list of Municipal electors under "Mysteries," "Henry Emmerson, Skinner and Glover," "Thomas Emmerson, Mercer," 1683, p. 178. 1668, Dec. 15 (Appendix) "Ralph Jennison, Mayor, and James Clavering, J. Emmerson, etc., Aldermen of Newcastle," p. 405. 1669, July 22, "Information of Cuthbert Nicholas (p. 499), cordwainer, against persons hereunder named for attending 'conventicles' . . . . John Emmerson, potter." Deposed before Ralph Jenison, Mayor of Newcastle-on-Tyne. [Note: "Mr. Clephan remarks that in this list, we have the names of five of the Sheriffs of Newcastle, John Emmerson (1639), etc., etc.; of five mayors, John Emmerson (1660), etc."] 1697, Sep. 21, Ralph Emmerson, A.M., appointed afternoon lecturer at All Saints', salary £80 (Common Council Books), on the removal of T. Knaggs. P. 447.

Vol. 51. "Works of Symeon of Durham." (No mention of E.) Vols. 52 and 55. "Correspondence of Bp. John Cosin." Letter lxxxii. From the Mayor and Aldermen of Newcastle to Bishop Cosin. Among those signing is John Emrson (*sic*). [Note: "He served the office of Mayor in 1660."] Letter dated Dec. 11th, 1666. P. 163. Vol. 55. Letter xcv. From the Mayor and Aldermen of Newcastle to Bp. Cosin. Dec. 15th, 1668. Among others signing "J. Emerson." P. 199.

Vol. 53. See 4. Wills of York. Vol. 54. "Diary of Abraham de la Pryme." No Emerson. Vol. 55. See 52 (above). Vol. 56. Register of Archbishop Walter Gray. (No Emerson.) Vol. 57. Register of the Corpus Christi of York. (No Emerson.) Vol. 58. Feodarium Prioratus Dunelin. (No Emerson.)

Vols. 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66. No Emerson. Vol. 67. See 42. Vol. 68. Appendix. Letter from Sir Henry Anderson to Secretary Winwood. 1 Apl., 1606. (Note: "Probably 1615—16"). "The one is a lawyer and steward to my Lord Summerset by Sir William and Emerson's meanes." Vols. [69 and 72], 70 [71, 75, 81], 72. See 69 [73, 76, 80]. Nil. Vol. 77. Note Book of Sir Walter Calverley. P. 64. 15 Nov., 1694. "Mr. Emyson." P. 70. "Boy baptized at New Grange by Mr. Emison." Vols. [74, 78, 81]. No Emerson. Vol. 82. Survey of Durham, 1580. Appendix. P. 203. "Burnehope. Cuthbert et Johannis Emerson, pro uno tenemento, *ibid.*, per ann. 6s. 8d." Stotfolde Birne cum Powe. "Johannis Emmerson pro tent. *ibid.*, per ann. 10s. 3d." Vols 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 89. (Nil.) Vol. 88. Early Assize Roll: Northumberland, 40 Hen. III., A.D. 1256. "Prior de Hetteliam [for Hextildesham or Hexham] ponit loco suo alanum clericum vel Henricum de Ingeham versus Ricardum de Emmera de placito warrantiæ." Vols. 90, 91. (Nil.) Vol. 92. Deanery of Pontefract. Surveys of Chantries, etc., York, 1546. Parish of Normanton. "One messuage with th' appurts. in Altoftes, in the tenure of John Emerson, v.s. iiij.d." P. 321.

Vol. 93. Newcastle Merchant Adventurers.

P. 132. Whereas motion was made concerninge the dept of the Company in generall . . . . it's ordered that Mr. John Emerson [with 8 others] and the 2 wardens, conferr with Mr. Henry Lawson and others to see what is truly owinge by every brother for impositions untill Christmas, 1640. P. 134 . . . And for this end were chosen for assessors of the Company, Mr. Raph Gray, Mr. John Emerson, Mr. Mark Milbanke, and Mr. Thos. Blenkinsopp. P. 135. The Assesment of the Company by the aforesaid Assessors upon such persons as itt is supposed Mr. Mayor by his power might possibly levy:—The Governour, Mr. Leonard Carr [£] 3. Mr. John Emerson, 7. P. 136. [15 May, 1645.] These assistants were chosen to continue till the 9th of October next. Mr. Henry Dawson in loco Sir Alexr. Davison, mort. Mr. John Emerson in loco Sir Nicholas Cole. P. 145. [24 April, 1648.] The right worshippful Mr. Mayor sent in a request to desire that some bretheren may be appointed to meet to-morrow with men chosen out of the severall other Companyes of this towne, there to conferr about the ordering to [*sic*] mantayning of the privilidges of every particular Company according to charter. Wherefore these bretheren hereafter named were appointed to treat with them.

For boothmen { Mr. Christopher Nicholson, Mr. John Emerson.

P. 149. Mr. John Emerson being informed against that he kept Nicholas, a Dutchman, to sell raffe upon the Key, deneying it, desired to know his informer. Complaint was made of a difference that was betwixt Mr. John Emerson and Mr. Carr, about rye taken out of Mr. Elbrough's shipp. P. 152. 22 Aug., 1649. Wm. Blackett peticioned for repayre for the abuse he suffered by uncivill and disgracefull tearmes, which, upon the open key, were given him by Mr. John Emmerson. [There are several other entries in this vol. relating to Mr. John Emerson, but they contain nothing of interest.]

Durham Household Book, 1530—1534 (Surtees Soc. publications). Et Soluti Nicholao Emerson et Rogero Baynbrydge, 21 Decembris anno 1531, in partem solucionis de 20 lovde ure plumbi ad 6s. le loyd, cum cariagio suis sumptibus propriis ad Shytleyburne super terram Prioris de Fynkhall—53s. 4d., et c., and in all £4 16s.

Sanctuarum Dunelmense, from 1478—1539. Johannes Emerisson, 1479, a juror, in case of Oliver Branthwaite.

1490. Richard Emerson cancellare scriba in case of Johannes Perkin. Richard Emerson, scribe of the Register of Lord Prior of Durham in case of Johannes Wederrelt. Richard Emerson in case of Wm. Talbos—1482. John Emerisson, a witness in case of Alex. Hudeles of Kirkswald—in comitatu cariolensis, 1485. 66. Case 174. James Emerson dictis die, mense, et amo domin (*i.e.*, 12th Dec., 1514) venit, ad ecclesiam cath Dunelm quidam Jacobus Emerson et peciet immunitatum, pro eo quod idem Jacobus, ex insulta super eum facto, in domo cujas dam Willielmi Ray de Lowyk in com: Northumbræ die luyal proxime ante festum St. Nicolai Episcopi ultum preteritem, quendam Henricum Walker cum uno le bastard sworde super caput letaliter percussit de quâ in continentor obiit. Pro quâ immunitatem peciit. Præsentibus Johanne Clerk notario publico et Nicolao Swinburn, literato, testibus. Robt. Emerson, witness in 1508, in case of Anthony Heron.

Durham Surveys.

HATFIELD'S SURVEY, 1377—80.

South Bedburn, Darlington Ward. Liberi tenentes—Robertus Emerisson ten. j. mess. et xxx. acr. terræ voc. Bedburnhalle red. p. a. ad festum Pentecost et St. Martini, quolibet anno 8s. = £6 12s. our money. Terræ Scaccarii (exchequer lands)—Robertus Emerisson ten j. placam prati., voc. Gibbesclos, red. p. a. 3s. Robertus Emerisson ten. j. mess. et xxx. acr. terræ quondam Petri Forester red. p. a. 6s. 10d.

Stanhop, Darlington Ward. Liberi tenentes—Robertus Emerisson ten. x. acr. terræ ibid. quondam Adæ Browne red. p. a. 20d. Robertus Emeryson ten. j. mess. et iij. acr. terræ quondam Johannis Seman red. p. a. 6d. Terræ Scaccarii—Wilhelmus Emerisson* ten. j. mess. et xx. acr. terræ ibid. red. p. a. a. 6s. 8d. Idem Wilhelmus ten. j. acr. et dim. terræ ibid de novo affirmatum* ante ostium red. p. a. 6d. * Made profitable—applied to land taken from the waste and made profitable. Johannes filius Roberti Emerisson ten. j. toftum † cum crofto † ibid. red. p. a. 4d. Robertus Emerisson et Thomas Ayre ten. j. mess. et vij. acr. terræ in Westfield red. 2s. 6d. Terræ Vastæ—Robertus Emerisson et Wilhelmus Fetherstonhalgh ten. molendinium aquaticum ibid. et red. p. a. £6. * Added in margin Robertus Emerisson. † Toft, a piece of enclosed ground on which stood the tenant's house. Toft = house and garden ; croft, a small *close* adjoining.

Easington, Easington Ward. Terræ Dominicæ—Matilda Emson ten. xx. acr. de eisd. domin. et red. p. a. 21s. 4d. Petrus Emmeson ten. x. acr. de eisd. domin. et red. p. a. 10s. 8d. Terræ Boudorum servile tenure—Petrus Emmeson ten. j. mess. et ij. bov. terræ et red. p. a. ad. e. t. 17s. 4d. Petrus Emmeson ten. j. mess. et ij. bov. terræ et red. p. a. 17s. 4d. Cotagia—Petrus Emmeson ten. j. cot. et iij. acr. terræ et colligat gall et ducit ut supra et red. p. a. 2s. 6d. et iij. opera. Petrus Emson ten. j. cot. et vij. acr. terræ quæ quondam fuerunt parcella j. bovdi et red. p. a. 4s. videlicet ad fest. Purificationis pro Scatpenys 4½ ½d. et ad fest. St. Cuthberti et Nat. St. Johannis Baptisti 8d., et pro Wodlades ad fest. Nat. St. Johannis 2d., et iij. buz. avenarum de scat. ij. gall. et x. ova sed nichil red. pro Castelmen, 5s. 1½d., iij. buz. avenarum de scat. ij. gall. et x. ova. Parcella del Halgarth—Petrus Emson ten. j. curtilagium ibid. et red. p. a. 6d. Terræ Scaccarii—Petrus Emson ten. j. mess. et vij. acr. terræ et dim. quondam Henrici Fabri et red. p. a. 10s.

Holme, Easington Ward. Tenentes in Dringagio—Robertus Emson et Robertus Richardson ten. j. mess. et vij. bov. terræ quondam Roberti Perisson et red. p. a. ad term St. Martini pro Metrith 18d., et pro Castelmen ad iij. term 5s., et pro Cornagio ad fest. St. Cuthberti in Septembre pro terræ quondam Guydinis de Horton, 8s. 9d., et pro operibus ad fest St. Martini et ad duo festa St. Cuthberti 4s. 6d., et ad fest. Purificationis Beatæ Mariæ j. quart. et dim. ordei et iij. quart avenarum ad manerium de Middleham et ad scaccarium Dunelm j. quart et tertiam partem j. quart farmæ avenarum ad idem festum in toto 19s. 9d., j. quart et dim. ordei iij. quart avenarum, j. quart et tertiam partem j quart farmæ avenarum.

Stockton Ward, Stockton Town. Tenentes infra burga.—Johannes filius Johannis Emmerson ten. j. burg. ibid. per sev. pred. red. p. a. 3d. Tenentes extra burga.—Thomas Emmeson ten. quartam partem j. burg. ibid. ut supra red. p. a. 1d. Terræ bondorum.—Wilhelmus Emme ten. j. mess. et ij. bov. terræ et facit ut supra red. p. a. 14s. 2d. Idem Wilhelmus et Johannes Ditton ten. j. mess. et ij. bov. terræ et faciunt ut supra red. p. a. 14s. 2d. Johannes Emmeson ten. j. mess. et ij. bov. terræ et facit ut supra red. p. a. 14s. 2d. Terræ Scaccarii—Johanna filia Roberti Emme ten. j. mess. et j. bov. terræ quondam bondorum et quondam in terrana Thomas filii Rogeri et facit in omnibus sicut firmarii de Norton red. p. a. 8s. 6d. Wilhelmus Eme ten. j. placeam quondam Wilhelmi filii Thomæ red. p. a. 2d.

Norton, Stockton Ward. Redditus firmæ cotmannorum—Johannes Emme ten. j. cot. et iij. red. terræ et facit pro quantite ut supra red. p. a. ————. Terræ Sacc.—Johannes Emme ten. j. mess. p. a. 18d. quondam Wilhelmus Emme red. p. a. 2s. Tenentes Vocati Malmen sive Firmarii—Johannes Emme ten. j. mess. et j. bov. terræ et facit ut supra red. p. a. 5s. 2d. ½ ½d.

Hardewyk, Stockton Ward. Terr. Scacc.—Sibilla quæ fuit uxor William Eme ten. j. toftum cum crofto comt. dim. acr. terræ quondam Johanne de Butterwyk red. p. a. a. ad iij. term usuales 3s. 4d.

LANGLEY'S SURVEY.

Rentals and Surveys, Durham, Portfolio 21, n. 29.

Rental of the lands of Bishop Thomas Longley.

1418. Southbedburne. Free Tenants : Ralph de Eure holds 1 messuage and 30 acres of land called Bedbournehall, formerly of Robert Emeryson, and pays yearly at the feasts of Pentecost and St. Martin, 8s. The said Ralph holds one messuage and 30 a. of land called Brandonfeld, formerly of Robert Emerson, and pays per ann., 6s. 10d. Exchequer Land : Ralph de Eure holds 1 place of meadow called Gibbesclose, formerly of Robert Emerisson, and pays 3s. The same holds 1 messuage and 30 a. of land, formerly of Robert Emerison, and pays 6s. 10d.

Stanhope. Free Tenants : Thomas Robynson holds 10 a. of land in the west field of Stanhope, formerly of Robert Emerisson, and before that of Adam Broune, and pays per ann. 20d. Exchequer Land : Alice, who was the wife of William Emerisson, holds 1 mess. and 20 a. of land, and pays 6s. 8d. The same holds 1½ a. of land, newly approved before the entrance, 6d. Exchequer Land : Thomas Robynson holds 1 mess. and 5 a. 3 r. of land, formerly of Rob. Emeryson, and pays 3s. 1d. Exchequer Land : Adomar Taillour holds 1 toft with a croft, formerly of John, son of Robt Emerysson, and pays 4d. Exchequer Land : Thomas Robinson holds 1 mess. and 7¼ a. of land in the Westfeld, called Coulmore, formerly of Rob. Emeryson, and pays 2s. 6d. Mills : Thomas Robyson Emeryson holds 1 watermill there and pays per ann., £6 13s. 4d.

Esyngton. Exchequer Land : John Tomson holds 1 curtilage there, formerly of Peter Emmesson, and pays 6d. Isabella, wife of Thos. Hawthorn, holds 1 mess. and 7½ a. of land. formerly of Peter Emmesson, and pays 10s. Lands of bondmen : John Thomson holds 1 mess. and 2 bovates of land, formerly of Peter Emmeson, and pays 17s. 7d. Cottages : Thos. Eendele holds 1 cottage and 4 a. of land, formerly of Peter Emmesson, and pays 2s. 6d. and 4 works. Peter Emmeson holds 1 cottage and 7 a. of land, which were formerly parcell of 1 bondage, and pays per ann. 4s., and at the feast of the Purification, for "Scattepeneys," 4¾, and at the Feast of St. Martin, for the like, 3¾, and for "averpenys," at the feasts of St. Cuthbert and Nativity of St. John the Baptist, 3d., and for Wodlades at Midsummer, 2d. and 3 bushells of oats of "Scatt" [? Scot], 2 hens and 10 eggs, but he pays nothing for Castelmen. (The lord is charged as is supposed.) 5s. 1½d., 3 b. oats of "Scatt," 2 hens, 10 eggs.

Hoton. Tenants in Drengage : Will. Osmonderley, chivaler, holds 1 mess. and 2 bovates of land there. Rob. Emson holds 1 mess. and 1½ bovate, etc., etc.

HUMBERSTONE'S SURVEY.

(Q. R. Misc. Books 37 and 38.)

Vol. 37. (A Survey of the Possessions of the Earls of Northumberland and Westmoreland (Rebels), in the Counties of York, Westmorland, Cumberland, Northumberland, and the Co. of the Bpric. of Durham.) Commn. dated 1569. At Brannspeth, William Emerson is a tenant at will of the E. of Westmoreland, for a cottage and garden. 12d. rent. Ralph Emerson holds ½ mess. or "villat," Township, of Stanley, and half all the lands, etc. (Nicholas Fetherstonhalgh holds the other half), by lease from the E. of Westmoreland, dated 6 March, 3 Eliz., for 21 years. 100s. rent. In Raby Ralf Emerson is a tenant at will for a tent. called Hollcote, in Langley, of the E. of Westmoreland, with land, etc., thereto belonging. Rent, 26s. 8d. Bartholomew Emerson holds lease for 13 years of tent., etc., in Shotton, as the assign of his father, Ralph, under lease from the E. of Westmoreland, dated (date not given). Rent, 23s. 4d. John Emerson holds lease of tent. in Shotton for 13 years. Lease dated 18 June, 5 Eliz. Rent, 23s. 4d. The two last also hold a close in Shotton, with 3 others.

Vol. 38. Romanbye. Ralph Emerson holds lease of a close here, for 21 years, from Thomas Markenfeild, dated 20 May, 11 Eliz.

Early Durham Records before 1640.

Sheriff's Accounts. Fines and amerciaments for Suits and before Justices, Perquisites of Court, Auditors' Records, being Accounts of Sheriffs, Rentals, Petitions, 9 bundles (all searched). Commissions, Interrogatories and Depositions (1560—1640), 37 bundles (1st bundle done). Gaol Deliveries, 1 parcel, 18 Hen. VII. (searched). Judgment Rolls, 35 rolls to 16 Car. I. (1st roll only done). Entry Books of Chancery Decrees and Orders, 1 vol., 1633—1642. Registrar's Orders and Decrees, 22 vols. to 1639 (1st roll only done). Petitions for Admission of Attorneys, 1 bundle (1660—1694). Recognisances, etc., and Writs, 4 bundles (all searched).

Auditors' Records. No. 1. [This large bundle contains over 100 rolls, nearly all of which are Sheriffs' and Auditors Accounts for fines and amerciaments for suits and before Justices, Perquisites of Court, fines, etc. There are isolated

mentions of Emersons without place or date. Such as: Anne Emerson for Nicho. Wilbye, 6d.]

No. 81. Recognizances before Robt. Shute, Baron of the Exchequer, at the Assizes in Co. Durham, 24 July, 23 Eliz. Of John Fetherstonehalghe, esq., thereupon sworn between Ralph Emerson, plt., and Rob. . . . . and others, defts., in the plea of taking and unjustly detaining animals going at large, £6. [No place given.]

Commissions, Interrogatories and Depositions. Bundle 1. Evidence of witnesses called in various cases, often between the Bp. of Durham and his tenants. Most interesting, but unfortunately there were no Emersons.

Gaol Deliveries, 18 Hen. VII. Hugh Emereson, late of Stanhope, yeoman, with others, was taken because he on the 12 Aug., in the 6th year of Richard, Bishop of Durham, took away a horse price 4 marks belonging to an unknown person at Whytworth. The jury say that the said Hugh is not guilty, so they are allowed to go *sine die*.

Gaol Deliveries, 17 Hén. VII. The sheriff is commanded to take John Emerson, late of Yarem in co. York, yeoman; Hugh Emerson, late of Stanhope, yeoman, and others, for divers felonies. 4th week of Lent, in the 5th year of Richard, Bp. of Durham, John Emerson, late of Durham, yeoman, was taken up for stealing some of the goods of Thomas, Prior of Durham. Verdict: Not guilty. The sheriff is commanded to take Ric. Stove . . . and Edward Emereson, late of Stanhope, yeoman, son of Edward Emrison, for divers felonies. Also to take Henry Emreson, late of Stanhope, yeoman, Robert Emrison, late of Stanhope, yeoman, and others, for divers trespasses. John Emreson, late of Stanhope, yeoman, for 40d. for divers trespasses.

Judgment Roll, No. 1. Monday next, after the feast of St. Mathew the Apostle, in the 2nd year of William, Bp. of Durham. The sheriff is commanded to cause Alexander Henryson, of Swynhopburn in Werdall, yeoman, and Alexander Emereson of the same, yeoman, to come here to answer to the Bishop for having entered his park at Stanhope without licence and killed a doe. They plead guilty, and are sentenced to be imprisoned for 3 years, and afterwards to remain at the will of the said Bp. 21 Hen. VII. (See of Durham being vacant). Roger Lomley, esq., and Wm. Richerdson put themselves against Simon Emereson, of Lomley, yeoman, of plea why they took the beasts of the said Simon and detained them. The said Simon did not come, so was fined. Monday in the 3rd week of Lent in the 1st year of Christopher, Bp. of Durham. The sheriff is commanded to cause Thomas Knagg, late of Durham, yeoman . . . and William Emereson, of Durham, yeoman, to come and answer to the Bp. for divers trespasses. 22 Hen. VII. Thos. Lovell, Knight, Ric. Emson, Knt., and others pray against Rob. Hilton, the manor of Folanceby. Verdict in favour of plts. 20 Hen. VII. Ric. Baynbrig puts himself against Anthony Emereson and Rob. Birtfeld for taking and detaining his beasts. 34 other rolls to be examined.

Entry Book of Chancery Decrees and Orders. 1 Vol. 1633—1643: P. 192. In the Court of Chancery of Durham, 10 Sept., 1634, between Ralph Emerson and others, plts., and Hen. Blakiston, deft. [No genealogical information whatsoever, merely order to examine witnesses, etc.] P. 665: 24 March, 1639, between Emerson and others, plts., and Eliz. Mowbray and others, defts. Plt. to amend his bill. P. 751: At Durham, 21 March, 1641, between Christopher Emerson, plt., and Henry Emerson, deft. Plt., together with John Emerson and Robert Anderson, by bond dated May, 16 Chas. I. [1640], became bond to deft. in £120 for payment of £63 the 24th of June following. The money was not paid, but plt. did not complain because the sum was part of a greater formerly paid by John E. and Rob. Anderson for purchase of lands at Eastgate, whereof George Emerson, deft.'s eldest brother, was seised for the lives of himself, deft., and John Emerson their brother, and which he sold to the said John E. and Rob. Anderson, and assigned £63 to deft. Plt. to be allowed damages for non-payment of the money at the rate of 8 per cent. per ann.

Registrar's Decrees and Orders, 1613. Bundle 1. [No Emersons.] 21 other bundles to be examined.

Petitions for Admission of Attorneys, 1 Bundle, 1660—1694. [Nothing before 1660.]

Registrar's Recognizances, Indictments, Writs, etc. Bdle. 1 (Lists of constables and men in various parishes). Sedgefield. October, 1612. Common Callevers furnished, 6. (One of the six) John Emmerson. The names of all the able men in Brereton [no date, 1612(?)]: Christopher Emerson, Godfraye Emerson; Stranton and Tunstall: Thomas Emerson. 21 July, 11 Eliz. [1569]. Rouland Emerson, of Pow, in Wardell, yeoman, acknowledges that he owes to the Queen £10. George Emerson, of the same, yeoman, owes to the Queen, 10 marks. The condition of this recognizance is such that if the said Rowland E. keep the Queen's peace against her Highness' people, and especially against William Emerson his brother, until the feast of Pentecost next coming, that then this recognizance to be void. John Emersonn, of Wolston, husbandman, is bound to the Queen in £10. The condition of this recognizance is such that whereas the said John E. has been admitted to keep a common ale-house, or tippling-house: if, therefore, the said John shall not suffer any unlawful games, as cards or dice, nor admit any suspected papist or persons unknown, nor any person notoriously "defamed" for drunkenness; that then this recognizance to be void.

Bdle. 4. Writ dated at Durham, 6 April, 19 James I. [1621], King James I. to the Sheriff of Durham, commanding him to take Richard Emerson and Robert Bygate, alias Bygott, wherever they may be found, and to have their bodies before the Barons of the Exchequer at Westminster in 5 weeks from Easter, to answer to George Emerson [no place given] for divers trespasses. [There are no mentions of Emersons in Bundles 2 and 3.]

ASSIZE ROLLS.

No. 223, nil. 27 Hen. III. (Anno ij. N. Episcopi Dunelm). Placita Coronæ coram Rob. filio Mildredi, Ricardo Suket et sociis suis, 6 memb. No. 224, nil. 53 Hen. III. (Anno viij. R. Ep. Dunelm). Placita Assisarum coram same, 4 memb. No. 225, nil. 7 Edw. I. (Anno v. R. de Insula, Ep. Dunelm). Placita de Juratis et Assisis coram R. de Nevil, T. de Hermthon et aliis. "Hermthon," 7 memb. No. 226. Extract sent. 30 Edw. I. Placita coram W. de Ormesby. "Ormesby," 12 memb. No. 227. 33 Edw. I. Placita et Assisæ coram W. de Bereford et R. de Heigham. "Bereford," 6 memb. No. 228. 33 Edw. I. Placita et Assisæ coram eisdem. "Bereford," 8 memb.

[No more Assize Rolls for Durham calendared separately, but there may be some more in the rolls for "divers counties."]

MINISTERS' ACCOUNTS.

8 Rolls of Ministers Accounts for Durham from 18–20 Edw. II. [1324—26] to 6—8 Hen. VI. [1427—1429].

NO ASSIZE ROLLS FOR HEN. VIII.

After Hen. VI. the Assize Rolls are preserved by the Clerks of Assize of the respective Circuits. *See* Scargill Bird, p. 167. Nothing for Durham among the Assize Rolls for divers counties, Edw. II. to Hen. IV.

No. 226. "Ormesby." Plaints: John de Graham complains that whereas he was sent by the King to sell merchandises at the fairs at Darlington, John de Saundon, Simon filius Emme, and others (named) on Monday on the Vigil of All Saints, 23 Edw. I. [1302], took away some of his goods, and held them for some months so that they were much damaged.

MINISTERS' ACCOUNTS.

Account $\frac{1}{1}$. 18—20 Edw. II. Castle Barnard and its appurts., in the hands of the king, by reason of the minority of the Earl of Warwick. No Emerson, fil Emery, etc. (N.B.—This roll contains but few names; most of the receipts are in kind, and the names of persons sending the various items are rarely entered, whilst payments are entered for a certain purpose without name of payee.) Account $\frac{1}{1}$. 11—12 [Edward II.] Westwick, Quarrington, Barnard Castle, etc. (fragmentary): Nil. Account $\frac{1}{1}$. [?17—18 Edw. II.] (fragmentary) (Co. Durham): Nil. Account $\frac{1}{1}$ Westwick, Quarrington, etc. 17—18 Edw. II.: Nil. Account $\frac{1}{1}$. [? tempe Edw. II.] (a fragment). Querington, etc. (some parts illegible): Nil. Account $\frac{1}{1}$ Middleton and Newbiggin. [? Edw. II. or III.] (fragmentary): Nil. Account $\frac{1}{1}$. Newbiggin, Gainford, and Pierce Bridge. 2—3 Hen. VI.: Nil. Account $\frac{1}{1}$. Gainford. 6—8 Hen. VII.: Nil.

Durham Chancery Proceedings.

REGISTRARS' RECORDS, No. 1, 1576—1640. BUNDLE 4.

27 Sep., 1595. The replication of Raufe Emerson, plt., to the answer of Elinor Todde, widow, def. [Unfortunately the bill and answer are missing, so there is no description of plt.] Mentions that John Emerson and George E., late of Horsley Burne, in Co. Durham, decd., were seised of the premises mentioned in the bill.

B. and A., Bundle 4, 3 Jan., 160$\frac{9}{8}$. (1) Answer of Rowland Emerson, one of the defdts., to bill of Complt. of John Richardson, concy. a mea. in the forest of Wardale, into which defdts. are said to have entered and taken profits, etc., unlawfully.

B. and A., Bundle 4, 9 Aug., 1607. (2) Answers of Thomas Emerson and William Emerson, his son, to bill of John Emerson, of Lyng Rigge in Wardale. The grandfather of Thomas and John Emerson was William Emerson, of the

lyngge Rigge, was seized of land called the lyng rigge, in the Forest of Wardale; he had issue Lionell, his eldest son, and Christopher, father to the Complt., and other younger sons; he died leaving a widow Gilian. Lionel was father of defdt. Thomas, Margaret Emerson was the widow of Christopher. Concerning the possession of said tent., etc.

B. and A., Bundle 4, 27 March, 160$\frac{4}{5}$. (3) Answer of Bryan Emerson to Bill of Mabell Nevell, widow, *re* goods left by late Isabell Fetherstone, decd., about 40 years since. B. and A., Bundle 5, 28 July, 1607. (4) Bill of John Emerson *v.* Thomas and Wm. Emerson. (See above, No. 2.) B. and A., Bundle 5, 23 March, 160$\frac{8}{9}$. (5) Bill of Mabell Nevill, widow, of Wolsingham, *v.* Bryan Emerson and Katheren his wife. (See above, No. 3.) B. and A., Bundle 7, 28 Dec., 1606. (6) Bill of John Richardson *v.* Robert Pearson and Rowland Emmerson. (See No. 1.) Robert Pearson, uncle of Orator, demised his tent. (as above) to Rowland Emmerson. B. and A., Bundle 6, 19 June, 1609. (7) Bill of John Richeson *v.* Rowland Emerson, formerly dwelling in Wardell, m. of Stanhopp, for conspiracy with Robert Pearson. (See Nos. 6 and 1.) B. and A., Bundle 6, 2 Oct., 1609 (8) Humphry de Rippon, of Aislebye, *v.* Jeffreys. Thomas Emerson and ors. *re* title deeds to a mess. in Bondgate-in-Darlington. B. and A., Bundle 7, 17 Dec., 1610. (9) Answer of George Emerson to Complt. of Barbara Emerson. Defdt. and Robt. Emerson, named in the bill, held office of Keepership of Stanhoppe Park, by grant from late Bp. This was not confirmed by Dean and Chapter, so a great sum of money had to be paid for confirmation by the present Bp. Robert was very poor, so it was agreed that George should take out the patent in his own and his son's names. Robert is since decd. B. and A., Bundle 7, 25 June, 1611. (10, See No. 9) Ans. of Rd. Emerson to Bill of Barbara Emerson. Rd. is son of George Emerson, above. No agreement was made to benefit Robert's son John, because at the time of the taking out of the patent, and for long after, he was not born. B. and A., Bundle 7, 15 May, 1610. (11) Ans. of John Emerson to Bill of John Swalwell. Complt. was defdt.'s tenant (locality not stated) for some years prior to 1608. B. and A., Bundle 8, 3 Nov., 1610. (12) Bill of Barbara Emerson, widow of late Robert Emerson, *v.* George and Richard Emerson. (See Nos. 9 and 10.) B. and A., Bundle 8, 20 Jan., 16$\frac{10}{11}$. (13) Bill of William Emerson, of Loningheade nighe Stanhop, yeoman, *re* lease of a holding at Wolsingham. B. and A., Bundle 9, 17 Jan., 16$\frac{10}{11}$. (14) Bill of John Emerson, of Myne bank, Co. Northld, *v.* John Swalwell, *re* lease by Complt. to Defdt. of premises in Throston, Co. Durham. (See No. 11.) B. and A., Bundle 9, 11 April, 1610. Bill of John Swalwell *v.* John Emerson. (See No. 11.) B. and A., Bundle 9, 15 Oct., 1612. Edward Burdesse, of Gillegate, *v.* Anthony Emerson, of Gillegate, Dyer, *re* title deeds of a close near Gillegate.

B. and A., No. 12, 5 Aug., 1612. George [*sic*] Errington, of ———, and John Whitfeild, of Bowtbere, in Wardaile, in co. Durham, *v.* Frances Emerson. George Emerson was seised of 1 tenement or farm in Stanhope Park, in the Forest of Wardell, called Lynskarr, and had issue 2 daus., Jane, the eldest, and Frances, the younger dau., to whom the sd. tent. descended after the death of their sd. father. The sd. Jane married Thomas [*sic*] Errington, the sd. plt., and they, by word of mouth, demised the moiety of sd. tent. to sd. John Whitfield, the other plt., for 21 years. The sd. Thomas Errington, plt., agreed with the sd. Frances E. that if the sd. Jane died without issue, and the sd. tent. descended to her, that she would convey the same to plt., in consideration whereof he paid her £12. The sd. Jane died without issue, and the sd. Frances refuses to assure the sd. tent. to plt.

26 Nov., 1614. Between Thomas Hall, of West Brandon, in co. Durham, yeoman, and William Emerson, of Stotfolde Burne, in co. Durham, yeoman. About May last, 1614, the said Wm. E. bought a mare of the said Thos. for 63s. 4d., which he has never paid.

B. and A., No. 14a, 9 Nov., 1616. About December, 1614, Robert Emerson, of Barnardcastle, in co. Durham, became bound to George Taylor, the elder, of Streatlam, in co. Durham, in the sum of £8 16s., which he has not paid.

July, 1616. Edward Emerson, of the Coveshouses, in co. Durham, and Anne, his wife, were seised in their demesne as of fee, in right of the said Anne of a capital messuage called the Coveshowses, in Wolsingham in co. Durham, to which Rauff Emerson, bro. of sd. Edw., pretended title. Plt. was likewise seised for his life of a tenement called Eastyate, in Stanhope, to which the sd. Rauff E. and George E., his brothers, made claim. Agreement as to premises made bet. them in April last.

9 August, 1615. Elizabeth Fetherstonhaugh, of the Park house, in Stanhop Parke, in Wardell, in co. Durham, *v.* Arthur Emerson, of Brotherley, who holds a tenement called Brotherley, in the sd. Stanop Park. Dispute as to their lands, which are divided by the river Were.

8 July, 1615. About February, 1610, Geo. Emerson, of Shitleybourne, and John Emerson, of Spertilee, in co. Durham, became bound to Cuthbert Bainbrigge, of Dawdree Seele, in said co., in the sum of £7 6s. 8d., which they have not repaid.

9 Aug., 1615. Thos. Craggs, s. and h. of John Craggs, late of T(?)wisell, in co. Durham, deced., *v.* Thos. Morgan, of Badwood, in sd. co., gent., and Rob. Emerson, late of Sunderland, in par. of Stanhope, in sd. co., yeoman. Dispute as to moiety of manor of Wiserley.

31 Oct., 1615. Geo. Emerson, of Shitleyburne, and John E., of Allergill, in co. Durham, owe £3 13s. 4d. to Cuthbert Bainbrigg, of Dawdresheile.

7 Aug., 1615. Thos. Emerson, of Darlington, and Leonard E., his son, *v.* James Johnson, of Darlington. Messuage and lands in Darlington.

14 March, 1615. Geo. Emerson, of Eastyate, in Stanhope Park, in co. Durham, plt. About Nov., 36 Eliz. [1593—4], the Bp. of Durham was seised of a mess. called the Eastyate, and of a piece of ground called the Height of the Park, then in the tenure of Geo. E., plt.'s father, and made a lease thereof to plt.'s sd. father for 3 lives, viz., plt., Edw. E. and Thos. E., 3 of his sons. About June, 10 Jas. I. [1612], the sd. Geo. E., senior, went to the Bp. of Durham and asked him to make him a new lease to plt., his eldest son, for such 3 lives as he would name, and took with him plt. and the sd. Edw. E., his youngest son, the sd. Thos E. being dead. The sd. Bp. made a new lease the 11th of sd. June for natural lives of plt., Geo. E. and John E., sons of Ralph E., of Eastyeate. On the 26th May, 13 Jas. I. [1615], plt. desired sd. Bp to renew the sd. lease in other names, to wit, him, the sd. plt., Ralph E., plt.'s brother, and Geo. E., son of sd. Ralph. Plt. has enjoyed the sd. premises until now that Edw. E., his sd. brother, whose name appears in the firstmentioned lease, has got possession of the sd. first lease, wh. plt. thought was destroyed, and goes about contriving a secret estate in the sd. premises. Plt. prays that the sd. Edw. may be compelled to give up sd. lease.

28 Nov., 1618. Arthur Emerson, of Birtreeford, within the forest of Weredale, in co. Durham, *v.* John Lewling, of Burtreefeild, *re* 2 mess. in Birtreeford, belonging to plt.

4 Nov., 1618. Geo. Lee, of Whickham, in co. Durham, yeoman, lent £5 5s. to Cuthbert Emerson, of Burnopp, and Geo. Nattresse, of the same, yeomen, which they have not repaid.

23 Dec., 1617. Rob. Bolton, of Denton, clerk, *v.* Nic. Pettifer. Plt. was seised of 1 mess., a meadow close thereto adjoining, certain little parcels of ground called the Parockes, a pasture close called Sclator's Close and a parcel of ground called the Leu(on)eing, of the yearly value of £18, parcel of the lordship of Walworth, in co. Durham, to the use of George Emerson [place not given]. The said Pettifer was then occupier of the sd. premises.

15 Dec., 1617. Ralph Eden, gent., owes to John Emerson, of the City of Durham, £14 10s., which he refuses to repay.

B. and A., No. 15, 21 June, 1617. Thos. Emerson, of London, esq., being seised of an estate of inheritance of the site and precinct of the College of Staindrop, in co. Durham, except only part of the Church and Churchyard, about July last, sold the sd. premises to John Hutton, of Staindropp. Defts. are Rob. Dixon and Hen. Sectree.

B. and A., No. 16, 17 Ap., 1620. Tho. Emerson, of Hillhouse, *v.* Rob. Oswold, of Blackwell. The latter owes to the former £4 10s.

B. and A., No. 17, 1619. The answers of Arthur Emerson, of Brotherlee, Arthur E., of Ludwell, John E., the elder, John E., the younger, Christr. Ede and Thos. . . . . defts. to the bill of complaint of Wm. . . . . [Torn and obliterated.] [No genealogical information.]

1619. Rob. Cooper, Attorney of Ric., Bp. of Durham, *v.* Ralph Emerson and others. The sd. Bp., being seised of the manor or township of Stanhope, Weredale Forest and Stanhope Park, was entitled to hold a court there, and hearing that great destruction had been wrought amongst the fallow deer in the sd. park, a forest court was summoned, 13 Ap. last. Raph Emerson, of Wyndeside, Arthur E., of Brotherley, Wm. E., of Gatecaste, Arthur E., of Ludwell, John Sheile and others appeared, but in most contemptuous manner very obstinately refused to take any oath or to serve as jurors in the sd. court, or to undertake any service as jurors unless they might, in the panel, be called tenants according to the custom of the sd. manor, and at last created such a disturbance that they were each fined 10s. to "reduce them from such their barbaroues misbehavior."

B. and A., No. 18, 31 July, 1619. The answers of Chr. Wall, Roland Emerson, and Elizabeth his wife, defts., to the bill of Florence Maddeson, widow, plt. Defts. say that Peter Maddeson, plt.'s late husband, was never seised of the ground called the Wester Peakefeild. Deft. Christr. Wall is lawfully seised thereof in his demesne as of fee saving that the sd. Eliz., deft., to her third of 8 parts thereof by the endowment of Rauffe Wall, her late husband, deced., and the sd. Christr. holds the same as brother and next heir of Thomas Wall, deced., who had 8 parts thereof by descent from Rauffe Wall, his father, who had them from Henry Wrenn, etc., etc.

B. and A., No. 17, 7 Aug., 1619. Will. Emerson, of Gatecastle, in co. Durham, *v.* Arthur E., of Brotherlee, Arthur E. of Ludwell, John E. the elder, John E. the younger, Christr. Todd and Thos. Lonsdell. Dispute as to a tenement in Whessie Borne, in par. of Stanhope in Wardale, late in poss. of Anne Nevill, widow, and Mr. Edward Delavall. No Emerson relationships mentioned.

17 July, 1619. Florence Maddison, of Stanhope, in co. Durham, widow of Peter Maddison, of Stanhope, *v.* Christopher Wall, Rowland Emerson, and Elizabeth, his wife. The sd. Peter being seised of certain closes of ground called the Wester Peeke Fields, in Stanhope, sold the same to Thos. Wall, after whose death they came to the sd. Christopher Wall, his brother's son and heir, who had marr. the dau. of Hen. Wrenn. Hearing of plt.'s right in the sd. premises, the sd. Christr., and Elizabeth, his mother, late the wife of Ralph Wall, and now the wife of the sd. Rowland Emerson combined to deprive her of the same.

B. and A., No. 19, 1621. Thomas Emerson, of London, esq., *v.* Arthur Grendon, Henry Marley, John Sigswicke, elder and younger, Mathew Towler and others, tenants of the manors of Bradbury and Hilton, in co. Durham. King Jas. I., by Letters Patent, dated 19 Oct., 1616, granted sd. manors to plt. The sd. tenants refuse to give up possession of their several tents. to plt.

B. and A., No. 20, 2 Mar., 1621. Will. Duckett, of Lowe Wood, in Stanhope, *v.* Chas. Duckett, Christr. Duckett, plt.'s father, having borrowed £100 of Ralph Lampton, Geo. Emerson and Bryan E., of the Easte Gate, in Wardaile, being his near kinsmen and good friends, became surety for him.

22 Mar., 1622. John Richardson, senior, of the City of Durham, esq., *v.* George Emerson, of East Gate, in Wardaile, gent. About Aug., 1616, deft. intreated plt., being solicitor to Wm. Bp. of Durham, to renew a patent of the bailiwick of Stanhope to deft. and his brother Ralph E.; also to procure a patent of one of the keeperships of Stanhope Park to the said Geo., for 2 lives; also to renew his lease of the said East Gate, promising to pay all the fees, etc., which, however, are still unpaid.

20 Dec., 1622. Thos. Robinson, of West Gate, in Weredaile, in co. Durham, yeo., *v.* Ralph Emerson, of Dawtree sheele, in Weredale. Plt. sold a mare to deft. for £3 3s. 0d., which sum he has never paid.

30 Nov., 1622. Rob. Cooper, attorney of Ric. Bp. of Durham, *v.* the tenants of the Forest of Weardale. Mentions Ralph Emerson, of Low Horseley, in Stanhope Park, occupier of a tent. there; Geo. E., of Billingsheild; Eliz. E., of Ludwell, widow; Ric. E., of Ludwell; Geo. E., of East Yate; Tho. E. and Arthur E., of Arsepebourne, Geo. Harrison, and others. In the answer Thos. E. says he is only undertenant of Ashleyburne to Wm. his son. [See No. $\frac{44}{45}$.]

14 Sept., 1622. Arthur Emerson, of Weareshead, in co. Durham, yeoman, *v.* Rob. Rutter of Hunshelforde, and John Nuttrasse, of Easterblack Deane. Defts. owe plt. £6 18s. 0d., which they refuse to pay.

14 Sept., 1622. Thos. Emerson and Leonard E., his son, *v.* Thos. Marshall, *re* half an oxgang of land in Cockerton.

5 Sept., 1622. Geo. Walton, of the City of Durham, mercer, *v.* John (?Jane) Marshall, widow, and Anne Emerson, spinster, dwelling the sd. City, *re* certain water corn mills in Durham.

1622. Christopher Dawson, prisoner in Durham gaol, *v.* Francis Emerson and Eliz., his wife. [First part illegible.] Mentions Margaret Hixon, of Preston-on-Skerne; Wm. Hixon, her bro., and Anne Hixon, her mother. The sd. Margaret afterwards mar. Francis Emerson [no place given].

B. and A., No. 22, 12 Aug., 1623. Thos. Emerson, of Hilclose House, in co. Durham, yeoman, *v.* Agnes Hodgeson and Edmund Hodgeson, *re* a parcel of ground called the Moore, within the lordship of Cockerton, wh. is within the manor or halmote of Darlington.

B. and A., No. 24, 22 Jan., 1626—7. John Blackburne, of Whickham, in co. Durham, *v.* John Emmerson, of Whickham, and Thos. Newbye, *re* certain sums of money said by the sd. Emmerson to be due to him from sd. Newby.

1 March, 1626—7. Ric. Lawe, of Gateshead, in co. Durham, *v.* John Wally, of Follansbie. Will. Emerson, of Hollingbush, and John E., of Fidgerhouses, yeomen, about 4 years ago took to farm of Mr. John Hilton in the absence of the sd. John Wally, 1 meadow close in Follansbie for 1 year, and demised same to plt. Dispute about payment of rent.

10 Mar., 1626—7. Christr. Hodgson, of Matneale, in co. Durham, gent., *v.* Thos. Emerson, of Hill House, in co. Durham, gent., and Stephen Chambers, of Stresham house, in the sd. co., yeoman, *re* a loan of money.

19 Mar., 1626—7. John Emerson, of the Fidgerhouses, in co. Durham, yeoman, *v.* Christopher Humble, of the Louseing Hill, and Jane his wife, formerly Jane Unthanke, widow. The sd. John E. borrowed 33s., and has not yet repaid all.

6 Jan., 1626—7. Henry Blakiston, of Sedgfield, in co. Durham, gent., and Mary, his wife, *v.* Leonard Emerson, of Hill Close House in Wardale. When the said Mary was a widow, about 4 May, 1624, she bought of the sd. Leonard a horse for £6 10s. 0d., which she has not yet paid.

9 Dec., 1626. Henry Blakeston, of Sedgefield, in co. Durham, gent., and Mary, his wife, *v.* Rauf Stobbes, of Westyate, in Wardale. William Emerson, late of Eastyate, in Werdale, gent., late the husband of the sd. Mary (plt.), being poss. of goods, etc., of considerable value, died intestate (about the feast of St. Martin the Bishop, in Winter, 3 years ago), leaving 3 children, William, Katherine and John. The sd. Mary was granted admon. of his goods, etc. About 2 years ago last Nov. the sd. Mary married John Stobbes, of Westyate in Wardale, who took poss. not only of the goods of the sd. Mary, but also of £70 belonging to the sd. children of the sd. Wm. E. The sd. John Stobbes died intestate about a year ago last Easter, and admon. of his goods was granted to Ralph Stobbes, his brother. About a year ago last Martinmas the sd. Mary married the sd. Hen. Blakiston, plt., and they then took out a fresh admon. of goods of sd. Wm. E., and had the tuition of the sd. Wm. and Katherine E., infants, the sd. John having died. The sd. Ralph Stobbes refuses to refund sd. £70.

11 Feb., 1625—6. Henry Blakeston, of Newton, near Durham, and Mary his wife, administratrix of the goods of William Emerson, late of Eastyate, in co. Durham, deced. *v.* Bryan Emerson, late of Eastyate, gent. The said Bryan E., gent., father of the sd. William E., about 5 or 6 years ago borrowed £100 of sd. Wm. at the rate of 10 per cent. per ann., some of which interest he paid. The sd. Wm. died intestate about 2 years ago last Martinmas. The sd. Wm. being the sd. Bryan's eldest son, and "at his finding only for meat, drink, and apparell," having no means wherewith to provide himself with wedding raiment, the sd. Bryan promised him £20, but not having it in hand told the sd. Wm. to borrow it. The sd. Wm. having "bona notabilia" owing to him in the province of York, admon. of his goods was granted to sd. Mary (plt.) by the Archbp. of York. Since that, she has married the sd. Hen. Blakiston, plt.

B. and A., No. 26, 2 Aug., 1620. Thomas Emmerson, of Hillclose House, in Co. Durham, gent., *v.* Edmund Hodgeson and Agnes Hodgeson. Edward Marshall, of Cockerton, yeoman, about December, 13 Jas. I. [1615], being seised of 1 parcel of ground called the Moore, within the lordship of Cockerton, surrendered same to plt., who surrendered same to Thos. Hodgeson, of Morton, who made deft. his executors.

22 March, 1627—8. Anthony Errington, junior, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, gent., *v.* Brian Emerson, of Eastgate, in Co. Durham, gent. About 1 December, 1623, plt. married Frances, dau. of the sd. Brian E., since which time they have lived together "verie kindly as they ought to doe." Plt. expected that the said Brian would have given a portion to his said dau., but as he gave her nothing, plt. asked Will. Carnabie, of Newcastle, to try and persuade the sd. Brian to do something, who then promised to give her £60, out of which she has only received £20.

11 Aug., 1627. John Emerson, late of Allergill, in Co. Durham, and Philip E., of Milnehouses, yeoman, *v.* Wm. Phillipson, of Durham, gent. Plt. borrowed £3 13s. 4d. of Geo. Wadeson, of Allergill, who made deft. his exor.

B. and A., No. 28, 4 Ap., 1629. Christr. Harryson, of the Eastgate in Wardale, in Co. Durham, yeoman, *v.* George Emerson, junior. Whereas Geo. Emerson, senior, late of the said Eastgate, was seised for term of years of the mess. called the Eastgate, and a parcel of ground there called the Highe of the Park, the sd. George E., together with John Emerson, junior, of Wolsingham,

gent., upon whom the sd. Geo. E., senior, intended to bestow the premises in 5 or 6 years as it appears, about 12 Dec., 2 Chas. I. [1626], demised the said premises to plt. for 5 years, paying therefore yearly £90—plt. entering into a bond to the sd. Geo. E., senior, and Geo. E., junior, for £200. About Oct., 1627, the sd. Geo., senior, made his will and left plt. £10 yearly, and made plt. and the said Geo. E., junior, executors. Afterwards the sd. Geo., senior, made another will, and appointed Geo., junior, sole exor. [Dispute about payment of rent. No relationships mentioned.]

16 March, 1630. Hen. Maddison, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, esq., and Lionel Maddison, of the same, *v.* Thos. Liddell, Nic. Hodshon, Wm. Emerson and John Emerson. Plts. were seised of ground called Coxclose, in the lordship of Ravensworth, and of divers coal mines on the ground called Fugerfield, adjoining the said Coxclose. Now defts. have sunk coal pits down near the said mines.

22 Feb., 1629–30. Christr. Marley, of Hilton, in Co. Durham, yeoman, *v.* Thos. Emerson, of London, *re* a debt of £7, which plt. owes to deft.

24 Dec., 1629. Tobias Pilkington, of Newpark, in Co. Durham, gent., *v.* Wm. Emerson, of Brotherlee, in Wardaill. Deft. bought a gray mare of plt. for £5 3s. 4d., which he refuses to pay.

19 Dec., 1629. Thos. Emerson, of Hill Close house, in Co. Durham, gent., and Leonard E. his son, *v.* Mary Oswold, of Darnton, spinster, and John Oswold the younger. Frances Branson, of Blackwell, in Co. Durham, widow, demised 2 closes called the Linage and Winter closes, lying within the bounds of the manor of Bondgate in Darlington, to plts. on 25 Oct., 2 Chas I. [1626], and plts. demised the latter close to the said Mary Oswold, who has not paid the rent for same.

1 Sept., 1629. John Richardson, of Durham, Esq., Attorney General of John Bp. of Durham, *v.* John Whitfeild, of Linstsgarth, Geo. Collingwood, of Boultsburne, Cuthbert Litle, of Stotfoldburne, Nic. Harrison, of same, Geo. Litle, of same, and Cuthbert Emerson, of Smalburnes. The sd. Bp. is seised (*inter alia*) of a great moor and waste lying in Weredale, and defts., all of whom live near, have enclosed a piece of ground called the Elandes along the river or water of Rukopburne, containing 10 a., and build a wall round part of it with stones which belong to sd. Bp., and intend to fence and wall it all in to their private use, to the great damage of sd. Rev. Father.

28 July, 1629. John Richardson, esq., Attorney Gen. of John Bp. of Durham, *v.* Thos. Emerson, of Arsaeburne, in par. of Stanhope, and others. Defts. have dug in a place called Brakensike in Sedling upon the great wastes belonging to sd. Bp., and have there "digged and wrought great quantities of leed."

B. and A., No. 29, 10 Ap., 1629. The answer of Geo. Emerson, deft., to the bill of Christr. Harrison. It is true that Geo. E., senior, was seised of the premises mentioned in the bill by grant from Wm. Bp. of Durham, for the lives of deft., John E. and Hen. E., all of whom are living, and so seised, by indenture dated 18 March, 1617, granted to Ralph E. his brother, Ric. E., of Ludwell, Geo. E., of Barmton, and deft., the said premises for their lives. Afterwards, to wit, on the 12th day of Dec., 1626, Geo. E., the elder and deft., demised the said premises to plt.

B. and A., No. 30, 5 Sept., 1631. John Sheele, of the Rwynford in Weredayle, in Co. Durham, yeoman, *v.* Geo. and Ralph Stobbes. Ralp Emerson, of Stainemoore, in Co. Westmorland, is surety for plt.

Sept., 1631. Ric. Bp. of Durham *v.* Richard Emerson, of Wardaile, in Co. Durham, yeoman. The sd. Ric. E. was collector and receiver for plt. of the rents and perquisites of courts in the township of Stanhope and Forest of Wardaill, belonging to plt., and held the sd. Office for divers years, but at the Audit held at Feast of St. Martin, the Bp., in Winter, 1626, deft. owed plt. £3 13s. 10d. for part of sd. rents, and has never paid it.

21 June, 1631. Ann Emerson, late of Brotherlee, in Co. Durham, widow, *v.* Wm. Emerson, of Brotherlee. Plt. being seised of a farmhold in Brotherlee, demised same to deft. about 3 years ago, for which he has not paid all the rent due.

B. and A., No. 32, 7 Sept., 1632. John Sheele, of Hartopburne, in Wardaile, in Co. Durham, yeoman, *v.* Ralph Emmerson, of Swindale, in Co. ———, yeoman. The sd. Ralph being seised of a customary estate of inheritance in a mess. called Duttray Sheele, in Wardaile, agreed about a year ago to grant part thereof called the wester Intack to plt. Plt. paid £20 of the sum of £45 agreed on between them, and then deft. was very anxious to get out of the bargain.

14 Ap., 1632. Cuthbert Emmerson, of Gatecastle in Wardaill, in Co. Durham, yeoman, and George Emmerson, of Coxclose, in Wardell, *v.* Will. Collison, of . . . . . in Wardaill. Deft. married Allison Rea, widow of Thos. Rea, and then pretended that plts. owed money to the sd. Thos., which they ought to pay to deft. and his sd. wife.

B. and A., No. 34 . . . 1633. Will. Emerson and Geo. Banegrigge, of Werdell, in Co. Durham, yeoman, *v.* Christopher Harrison. About May, 4 years ago, the sd. Will. E. borrowed £100 of sd. Christr., and for security gave him the lease of 1 tenement called Whestnop Burne in Wardell. And whereas plt. intended to purchase a tent. at Brother Lee, in Wardell, late in the poss. of Arthur Emerson, and wherein Ann E., widow of the sd. Arthur, had an estate for life, it was agreed between plt. and deft. that the latter should accept of 1 half of that tent. and enter thereupon at the death of the sd. Anne, who still survives, instead of Whestnop Burne. Now deft. is trying to get poss. of both tents.

*15 March, 1633. Ralph Emerson, of the Eastgate, in Co. Durham, gent., *v.* Hen. Blakiston, gent. The plt. and Wm. Stevenson became bound to said Blakiston in the sum of £80, and he now claims £10 over and above the same.

1 April, 1633. Ric. Morley, Ellinor Deunes and Edmond Hodshon, of Cockerton, *v.* Thos. Emerson, of Hillclose House, in Darlington, and Cuthbert Parkinson. Dispute as to Grannge Close, in Cockerton. In the answer to the above, found in No. 35, mention is made of Leonard, s. of sd. Thos. Emerson.

B. and A., No. 36. . . . Sept., 1634. William Emerson, of Gatecastle, in Co. Durham, yeoman, and Ann his wife (?) and Wm. Atkinson, of whom the sd. Wm. and Anne were guardians, *v.* Wm. Lumley, Raph Allason, Cuas. Elstobb and Edw. Elstobb, *re* premises in Little Stanton, lately held by Wm. Atkinson, decd.

30 Aug., 1634. Hugh Wright, of Durham, esq., *v.* Robert Lampton, Tobias Hudspeeth . . . . Anthony Emerson, dyer . . . ., etc., etc. Dispute between plt., who was one of the Aldermen of Durham, and defts., who were members of the Common Council, as to taxation.

*B. and A., No. 37. The answer of Hen. Blakeston, deft., to bill of Ralph Emerson. Mentions Brian Emerson, father of sd. Ralph. Mary, now wife of sd. deft., was formerly wife of Wm. Emerson.

B. and A., No. 38, 30 May, 1635. John Tod and Robert Tod, of Woolsingham, in Co. Durham, yeoman, *v.* Jno. Mowbray and Mary his wife. A dispute *re* lands in Woolsingham. Robert Emerson of Breerton mentioned.

25 Aug., 1635. Issabell Emerson, of Gate castle, Co. Durham, widow, late wife of Wm. Emerson, of the same, *v.* William Emmerson, of Brotherle, her elder son. Concerning undue advantages taken by sd. Wm., *re* a tenemt. in Gatecastle and in selling without her privity or consent a tenement and farmhold called Westopburne.

8 Aug., 1635. Christopher Harrison, of Swynhopburne, *v.* Wm. Emerson, Isabell Emerson, Arthur Emerson and John Emerson. Wm. Emerson (son of Isabell) having sold to Harrison a moiety of Whestnopburne; he (Harrison) complains that by combination the defendants endeavour to keep him out of possession of same.

16 Jan., 1635–6. Janete Ward, daughter of Christr. Ward, late of Darneton, Co. Durham, *v.* Leonard Emerson. Concerning said Leonard's being wrongfully in possession of a tenement in a street called Bondgate, in Darneton, belonging to plaintiff.

13 Oct., 1635. John Ward, of Bpp. Auckland, *v.* Leonard Emerson. On same subject as foregoing suit.

B. and A., No. 39, 26 Oct., 1635. Answer of Leonard Emerson to complaint of John Ward. Setting forth how he became possessed of the tenement in Darneton.

B. and A., No. 40, 28 Jan., 1636–7. George Guy, of Corneforth, Co. Durham, gent., *v.* Anne Emerson, widow (pretending to be sole executrix of William Emerson,* late of Cornforthe) (* her late husband). George Guy, Wm. Emerson and Wm. Eden being seized in right of their wives of certain tenements in Corneforth. Anne Emerson, as executrix of said Wm., claims compensation for time when complainant occupied premises exclusively, whence present suit.

7 Jan., 1636–7. William Emerson, yeoman, of Brotherlee, Co. Durham, *v.* Richard Harrison, Geo. Cortforth and Arthur Emerson. Concerning a horse which he purchased of Richard Harrison, and which the defendants (one being Arthur E., of Gatecastle) are fradulently detaining.

2 April, 1636. Thomas Tempest, Attorney for the Bishop of Durham, *v.* Francis Emerson. To recover rents detained by said Francis E., due to the Bishop from the estate of one John Robinson, a felon.

21 May, 1636. Mary Smith, of Co. Durham, widow, executrix of Wm. Smith, Esq., her late husband, *v.* John Emmerson, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, merchant. Wm.

Smith paid said Jno. Emmerson £40, to apprentice his son Robert Smith to sd. Jno. E., who was to teach him the trade of a merchant adventurer. Sd. Robert having died in consequence of careless treatment received from Jno. E., Mary Smith, the widow, claims repayment of the £40.

11 June. 1636. George Emerson, of Wardaile, Co. Durham, yeoman, and William Emerson, of Hollingbush, in said Co., yeoman, *v.* Thos. Emerson, of Hilhouse in sd. Co., gent. Concerning a bond made by Geo. E. on behalf of one Raph Maddeson, since decd., with said Thomas E.

19 Oct., 1636. Edward Rodham and Wm. Hutchinson, of the city of Durham, Tanners, *v.* Anthony Edward, Henry Emerson and Lanclott Bainbrigg. Plaintiffs being wardens of the trade of Tanners, complain that defendants (all of Woolsingham) have been setting up in sd. trade, without first being apprenticed, whereby they owe £4 to the said wardens.

3 Dec., 1636. Charles Elstobb, of Foxton, and Wm. Lumley, of Lumley, both in Co. Durham, gent., *v.* William Emerson, of Brotherlee, in sd. Co., yeoman. One John Alchinston, late of Little Swamston, Co. Durham, yeoman, dying about 9 years ago, his widow, being the near kinsman of Jno. Lumley, having one child, a son, John Achinston, gave sd. child into the care of sd. Lumley, in pursuance of the wishes of his father, decd., with his portion of £100; 2 years later the widow married sd. Wm. Emerson, who borrowed £50 of sd. portion, Arthur Emerson, his brother, being one of the sureties, Charles Elstobb also a surety, and has since failed to repay it.

B. and A., No. 43, (?)15 Sept., 1637. Thomas Tempest, Esq., Attorney General to the Bishop of Durham, *v.* Christopher Emerson. The Bishop being seized of the three parks in Wardaile Forrest, appointed Richard Emerson collector of the rents; in 1632 Richard deputed his brother, Christopher Emerson, collector, who has never paid the money to the Bishop, or given account of it.

8 July, 1637. Robert Emerson, of Brereton, Co. Durham, yeoman, *v.* Raiph Crawe. Robert E. married Margaret Crawe, daughter of said Raiph, and gave her for a jointure certain land, etc., in Bellarside, Woolsingham. She having died, Robert E. wishes to sell his interest therein, and Raiph Crawe refuses to produce evidences.

B. and A., No. 44, 27 Mar., 1637. The answer of Anne Emerson, defendant, to the bill of George Guy. *Re* interests under the will of John Shaw, decd., father of complainant's late wife Alice (2nd daughter), of Elizabeth, wife of Wm. Eden (first daughter), and of defendant, widow of William Emerson, lately deceased.

B. and A.. No. 46, 6 April, 1639. Answers of Brian Emerson and Raiph Emerson to complaint of Wilfray Fulthropp. Brian Emerson admits that Wm. Phillips, mentioned in bill of complaint, was, in his lifetime, seized of the lands in Eastgate; he dying 52 years ago, left 4 daughters. Brian E. married Catherine, the eldest, and entered into her 4th part of the land, and purchased from the sisters the other three parts, which he has held and enjoyed for about 46 years. Raiph E. testifies this to be true. (Raiph, son of Brian.)

[About 6 April, 1639.] Wilfray Fulthropp, of ———, *v.* Bryan and Raiph Emerson, of Eastyeate, Wardaile, Co. Durham [see foregoing answer]. Margaret, Katherine, Elizabeth and Anne were the 4 daughters of William Phillips. Wilfray Fulthropp claims one-fourth of the lands in right of his mother, Anne Phillips, who married Francis Fulthropp, of Weardale, she being now dead.

B. and A., No. 47, 6 July, 1639. Thomas Bee, of Eastgate-in-Wardell, Co. Durham, *v.* John Emerson, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, merchant. One Thomas Merryman, being possessed of a messuage called the Eastgate in Wardaile and a parcel of land, did farm let the same to the orator, Thos. Bee, for 4 years. John Emerson, who had the farm mortgaged to him, for two years, to begin at end of said orator's term, has combined with Merryman to defraud the orator of certain crops.

B. and A., No. 48, 18 April, 1640. Thomas Emerson of Cornesey, Co. Durham, yeoman, Ellinor his wife and Isabell Grenwell, *v.* Eliz. Mowbrey, John Chapman and Thomas Taylor. Elizth. Mowbrey is relict of John Mowbrey, who, about 1635, settled land, etc., in trust for orators Ellinor and Isabel, and she with others now disputes possession of their rights.

Durham Cursitor Rolls.

No. 1 to 1640.

Cursitor's Records and Court Rolls searched. Those marked * not searched.

Cursitor's Records 1, Kellawe's Register (with Index) 2, 4, 5 and 6, Inqs. p.m. 7, Register of Extents for alienation, etc. 8 and 9, Register of Recognizances. 10, Memoranda of Leases. 11, Notes of Appearances, etc. 12—28, Halmote Books. 29—93, Chancery Enrolments (calendared). 94—134, Chancery Enrolments (uncalendared). 135, Halmote Ct. Rolls (1381). 136—140, Court Rolls of Evenwood. 141, 142, Surrenders, etc., of Copyhold Lands. 143, Inqs. before the Coroner (Jas. I.). 144, Recognisances in Inqs. before the Coroner (Jas. I.). 145, Writ of Privy Seal (1376—7). 146, Licence for Grant to Hosp. of Kypier (1331). 147, Indentures betw. Bp. Hatfield and ors. 148, Indent. of date (6 Edw. VI.). 149, 150, Original letters of Bishops, 1618, etc. 151, 152, Extents of lands (Eliz. and Chas. I.). 153, 154, Fragments of a Plea and a Patent Roll. 155, 156, Enrolments of Deeds (Ph. and M. and Eliz.). 157, Process at Westminster (13 Jas. I.). 158, 159, Writs (Jas. I.). 160, 161,* Writs and Returns (Chas. II. and Anne). 162, Close Letters (Bp. Hatfield), etc. 163,* Fines (Geo. II. and III.). 164—190, Inqs. p.m. (calendared). 191, Writs at Westminster (14 Jas. I.). 192, Inquisitions (21 Jas. I.—2 Car. I.). 193, Writs and Returns (Car. I.). 194—196, Writs and Inquisitions (Car. I.). 197,* Inquisitions ad quod dannum (Geo. II. and III.). 198, Extents for alienation. 199—200,* Writs of Præcipe qd. reddat. (Car. II.—1785). 207—209,* Significavits for writs (1700—1765). 210,* Procdgs. on Writs of Amovcas Manus. 211, Writs and Misc. Papers. Durham Cursitor's Records, the results of which are sent herewith. Those marked † have been searched and contain nothing new. When information has been repeated in different records, under different forms, it has not been copied again. 1†, 6, 7, 8†, 9, 10†, 11, 141, 142†, 143, 144†, 145†, 146†, 147†, 148†, 149†, 150†, 151, 152, 153†, 154, 155, 156†, 157, 158, 159, 162, 191†, 192, 193, 194†, 195†, 198†, 210†, 211†.

Taken from 44th Report of the Deputy Keeper.

No. 2 Durham Records, Cursitor's Records, Inquisitions Post Mortem, etc. [Nothing under A or Fil.] Pontificate of Thomas Langley, nil. Pontificate of Robert Nevill, nil. Pontificate of Lawrence Bothe, nil. Pontificate of John Shirwood, nil. Pontificate of Richard Fox, nil. Pontificate of William Sever, nil. See vacant, nil. Pontificate of Christopher Baynbridge. 1, Emerson, Thomas, of Estyat. Inq. V. off., taken 4 November [1508] at Durham. Robert, aged 10, is his son and next heir. He had held to him and his heirs by Johanna his wife the under-mentioned. Staynhop, lands and tenements in Marshall, Estyat, Harleycruk, Horsleys and Stonterley in; and the reversion of other lands, etc., in Staynhop and Estyat. Portf. 172, No. 3. Pontificate of Thomas Ruthall, nil. Pontificate of Cardinal Wolsey, nil. Pontificate of Cuthbert Tunstall. 18, Emerson, George, of Estyate in Wardell. 1 Ed. VI., Inq. p.m., taken 28 November [1547] at Durham. Margaret, aged 35, wife of Thomas Phillopp, is his sister and next heir. Stanhopp, lands and tenements in, and in le Marshall, Marshall meddowe, Harley Crewke, Horselees and Stowterley there. Portf. 177, No. 94. Elizabeth. 6, Emerson, Roland. Inq. V. off., taken 18 December [1563] at Durham. He had purchased lands from William Bellasses and Margaret his wife. Wardayle, Stanhopp, land and tenements in. Reg. Vol. VI., fo. 43. James I. 9, Emerson, Brian. Inq. V. off., taken 25 May [1611] at Durham. He had purchased lands from Ralph Fetherstonhalgh. Roocupside, in the parish of Stanhop, land and tenements in. Portf. 183, No. 39. 9, Emerson, George, of Newcastle-on-Tyne. Inq. per br. de mand., taken 20 July [1611] at Durham. William, aged 28, is his son and next heir. Whickham, divers lands and tenements in. Portf. 183, No. 9. Charles I. 3, Emerson, Christopher, of Broereton. Inq. p.m., taken 29 September [1627] at Durham. Robert, aged 20, is his son and next heir. Wolsingham, lands called Bellerside and Mariebancke in. Portf. 189, No. 177. 10, Emmerson, John; Butler, Thomas. Inq. V. off., taken 15 November [1634] at Durham. He had recovered against Robert Shaftoe and James Claveringe the under-mentioned land, etc. Whickham, land and tenements in. Portf. 188, No. 56.

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Pontificate of Ric. de Bury. Nil.

Pontificate of Thos. de Hatfield. Emmeson, John, of Redmershill. Inq. p.m., taken 15 Nov. [1349] at Seggefeld. John, aged 30, is his son and next heir. Carlton, lands and tenements in; Redmershill, messuages in, held of Hen. de Langton. Reg. Vol. II., fo. 86d.

Pontificate of John de Fordham. Nil.

Pontificate of Walter Skirlawe. Emotson, John. Inq. p.m., taken 6 Nov. [1392] at Sadberg. John, aged 30, is his son and next heir. Sadberg, lands and tenements in. Reg. Vol. II., fo. 118d.

Pontificate of Thos. de Longley. Emeryson, Robert. Inq. p.m., taken 8 May [1413] at Durham. Thomas, aged 21, is his son and next heir. Stanhope, lands and tenements in, some of which he had held of the grant of Thomas Marshall, of Stanhope, and others of Adam Johnson; Stanhope, other lands and tenements in. Reg. Vol. II., fo. 169.

[Nothing under "A" or "fil."] In App. to 44th Rep., pp. 310—542, are abstracts from Cursitor's Rec., Nos. 164—190.

DURHAM CURSITOR'S RECORDS (CALENDARED).

1. Roll of Richard de Bury, Bishop of Durham. Roll 29, m. 6d: Emeryson, William, to Gilbert Jargoun. Recognizance. Fifth year of Pontificate (1338). No further particulars on this roll.

2. Roll of Thomas de Hatfield, Bp. of Durham (1345—1381). Roll 30, m. 2d: Emerson, John. See Lartyng, Walter. Lartyng, Walter, of Ravensworth; William o' the Hail, of Ravenesworth; William de Derlington, of Ravenesworth; William Howet, of Ravenesworth; and John Emerson. A commission to try them for an assault upon Thomas Palmer, of Snayton, committed at Ravensworth. Second year of Pontificate.

3. Roll of Thomas de Hatfield, Bp. of Durham (1345—1381). Roll 31, m. 14d: Emerison, Robert and William. See Burden, John de. Burdon, John de, Robert Emersion, William Emerison, etc., etc. Receive a pardon for infractions of the forest laws in the Forest of Werdale. Thirty-sixth year of Pontificate.

4. Roll of John Fordham, Bishop of Durham (1381—1388). Roll 32, m. 7d: Ennerson, Robert. See Fetherestanhalgh, William de. Fetherestanhalgh, William de, and Robert Emerson. Granted the custody of the park of Stanhope for life. Fourth year of Pontificate.

5. Roll of Walter Skirlaw, Bp. of Durham (1388—1405). No. 33, m. 13: Emerson, Robert. See Fethirstanhalgh, Wm. de, the elder. Fethirstanhalgh, Wm. de, the elder; Fethirstanhalgh, Ric. de; Robert Emerson; and John Walsh, to Walter, Bp. of Durham. Recognizance that Wm. de Fethirstanhalgh, the younger, etc., etc., shall do no harm to William de Morley, etc. Sixth year of Pontificate. m. 16: Emerson, William; Emerson, John, s. of Robert. See Fetherstanhalgh, Richard. Recognizance. Eighth year of Pontificate. m. 17: Emeryson, Robert. See Fetherstanhalgh, Wm. de. Recognizance. Ninth year of Pontificate. m. 32· Emerisson, Thomas, and Adam, his brother. Have confirmation of the grant of the custody of the park of Stanhope, made to them by Robert Emerisson and William Fetherestanhalgh, to whom the Bp.'s predecessor had granted the same. Sixteenth year of Pontificate. m. 16d: Emeryson, Robert. See Fethirstanhalgh, Wm. Fethirstanhalgh, Wm.; Fethirstanhalgh, Ric.: Wm. de Merley; Rob. Emeryson. Are bail for the good behavior of Katherine de Strykeland. Fifth year of Pontificate.

6. Roll "A" of Thomas Langley, Bp. of Durham [1406—1437]. Roll 34, m. 9: Emeryson, Thos. Robinson, etc. Recognizance. Sixth year of Pontificate. m. 9d: Emerison, Thos. Robinson, etc. Recognizance. Seventh year of Pontificate. m. 11d: Emeryson, Thomas, etc., etc. Appointed Commissioners of Array for Darlington Ward.

7. Roll "B" of Bp. Langley. Roll 35, m. 6: Emeryson, Tho. Robinson, of Stanhope. A writ of scire facias. Tenth year of Pontificate.

8. Roll "C" of Bp. Langley. No. 36: (No Emersons).

9. Roll "DD" of Bp. Langley. No. 37, m. 2: Emeryson, Thos. Robynson, Wm. Blakburne, Adam Robynson and Ric. Emeryson, all of Stanhope, to the Bishop. Recognizance for the good behaviour of Thos. and John, s. of Wm. Blakburne, of Stanhope, and of Thos., Ric. and John Emeryson, s. of Adam Robynson Emeryson, towards the Bp.'s Foresters and Parkers. Twenty-fourth year of Pontificate. m. 13: Emeryson, Richard; Emeryson, Agnes. See Rogerley, Adam. See Ferrour, Alice. Ferrour, Alice, wife of Ric., being one sister of Adam Rogerley, deceased, and Ric. Emeryson, s. of Agnes Emeryson, the other sister. To have seisin of their shares of the lands, etc., of the said Adam as his next heirs. Adam Rogerley, as found by inqn., died seised in fee tail of a messuage, a piece of land called "Neufeld," in Stanhope, and of a close called Bellerdsyde, in Wolsyngham. The two Richards did homage at Bishop Auckland. Twenty-ninth year of Pontificate. m. 4d: Emeryson, Robert, etc., etc. Sureties for the appearance of John Nateres, of Stanhope, before the Justices at Durham. Twenty-fifth year of Pontificate. m. 7d: Emeryson, Thomas. See Egliston, John. Egliston, John, of Wolsyngham, and John Blakheved, of Stanhope, to the Bishop. Recognizance for the good behaviour of Thos. Emeryson if appointed one of the Bp.'s Foresters in the High Forest of Werdale in the place of Rob. Fetherstanhalgh. Twenty-eighth year of Pontificate. m. 12d: Emeryson, Rob., and Rob. Tod, both of Stanhope, to the Bp. Recognizance. Twenty-eighth year of Pontificate. m. 15d: Emeryson, Robert. Writ of scire facias agt. him. Thirty-first year of Pontificate.

10. Roll "E" of Thos. Langley. No. 38, m. 3: Emeryson, Thos. Robynson, of Stanhope; Thomas Egleston, of Wolsyngham, etc., etc. Recognizance. Fifteenth year of Pontificate. m. 3d, 9d, 11d: Emeryson, Thos. Robynson. Writ of scire facias against him for debt. Fifteenth year of Pontificate.

11 and 12. Rolls "BB" and "F" of Bp. Langley. Nos. 39 and 40. "These Rolls only contain pleas relating to lands in the vills of Newland-cum-Ladlepark and Fawleys, in Wolsingham, the manor of Langley, etc., claimed by William de Eure, knight, as son and heir of Ralph de Eure, knight. The same pleas appear more fully upon the Roll 'DD' of the same Bishop."

13. Roll No. 8 of Bp. Langley. No. 41. "This Roll (5 membranes) of Bp. Langley's Pontificate consists only of the Court Rolls of Cotam-Maundeville and Brafferton from the 16th to the 26th year inclusive, during which time Thomas Holden was steward."

CHANCERY ENROLMENTS.

14. Roll "No. 1" of Robert Neville, Bp. of Durham [8 Ap., 1438—9 July, 1457]. No. 42, m. 13: Emereson, John. Having married a dau. of Roger Baynbrig, is appointed one of the 4 Foresters of the High Forest of Werdale in the place of John Acelovine. Fourth year of Pontificate. m. 17: Emereson, Adam. Has grant of custody of moiety of the Park of Stanhope on surrender of a similar grant made to him in the time of previous Bp. of Durham. Fifth year of Pontificate.

15. Roll No. 2 of Robert Neville, Bp. of Durham. No. 43, m. 4: Emeresdon, Robert, the younger. Grant of custody of moiety of park of Staynhop for life. Seventh year of Pontificate.

16. Roll 3 of Rob. Neville, Bp. of Durham. No. 44: Nil.

17. Roll 4 of same. No. 45: Nil.

18. Roll 5 ("BB") of same. No. 46, m. 14d: Emeryson, Robert. See Rogerley, Thomas. Rogerley, Thomas, Robert Emeryson, of Wolsyngham, and John Harper, of Stanehope, to the Bp. of Durham. Recognizance for regular payment by said Thomas of sums due for the farm of a fourth part of park of Wolsyngham. Eighth year of Pontificate.

19. Roll 6 ("AA") of same. No. 47, m. 18d: Emeryson, Robert. See Rogerley, Thomas. Rogerley, Thomas, Robert Emeryson and others. Writ of scire facias against them at the suit of the Lord Bp. Fifteenth year of Pontificate. m. 19d: Rogerley, Thomas, of Wolsyngham; Ric. Emryson, of same; and Thomas Brakenbury, of Denton, to Bp. of Durham. Recognizance that the said Rogerley shall be the Bishop's man. Sixteenth year of Pontificate. m. 18d: Emeryson, John, of Wolsyngham. See Shele, Thomas. Shele, Thos., and John Emeryson, of Wolsyngham, to the Bp. of Durham. Recognizance for farm of 4th part (?) of park of Wolsyngham. Fifteenth year of Pontificate.

20. Roll "No. 1" of Lawrence Booth, Bp. of Durham (25 Sept., 1457—1 Sept., 1476). No. 48, m. 3: Emeryson, Robert; Emeryson, John; Emeryson, Robert, the younger; Estyatshele, houses built on. See Strangways, Thomas. First year of Pontificate. m. 3 and 4: Strangways, Thos., Esq.; Robert Emeryson; John Emeryson; John Harpour; Thos. Yonge, and Christopher Ba.... (? Bainbridge). By the bail of John Blakburn, Thos. Collanwod, Rob. Emeryson, the younger, Rolland Harpour, and Ric. Maddyson, they have committed to them custody of herbage of park of Stanhope, and of the frithopes, Middlehope, Swynhope and Westanhope, together with all houses built on the sheles, to wit, Westyatflodyatshele, Swynhopehele, Horshoushele, Brotherlesshele, Westirhirstshele, Whitwellhouseshele, Estyatshele, Westanburnshele, Sunderlandshele, and Westyatshele, for 1 year at rent of 100 marks per ann.

21. Roll "No. 2" (A. 2) of same. No. 49: Nil.

22. Roll "No. 3" (m. 3, olim. B.B.), of same. No. 50, m. 1d: Emryson, William, of Hyngyngwell. See Jakson, Peter. Jakson, Peter, of Ramshawewell, in Werdale; William Emryson, of Hyngyngwell, and others. Writ of attachment against them to appear in the Bishop's Chancery on a certain day. Second year of Pontificate.

23. Roll "No. 4," of same. No. 51: Nil.

24. Roll "No. 5," of Lawrence Booth, Bp. of Durham, is, in the words of a contemporaneous endorsement, "Pro brevibus originale et memoriale." It consists of 4 membranes, on which there are 53 entries answering to the general description. No. 52.

25. Roll "No. 6," is not a Chancery Roll, and contains only Pleas and Presentations before Justices of the Peace and Justices of oyer and terminer and gaol delivery. It has apparently been placed among the Cursitor's Records, because Hen. Gyllowe, Chancellor of Durham, was in the Commission of the Peace. No. 53.

26. Roll "No. 1," of William Dudley, Bp. of Durham (14 Oct., 1476, to ?1483). No. 54: Nil.

27. Roll "No. 2," of same. No. 55, m. 8: Emreson, Thomas. Writ of scire facias against him on behalf of Bp. of Durham, for arrears due from the High Forest of Werdale. Third year of Pontificate. m. 8: Emryson,

George, Robert Colanwod, both of Stanhope Park, yeomen, and Robert Wall and Peter Grenswerd, both of Stanhope, yeomen. Become sureties for the good behaviour of Wm. Woller, of Stanhope, yeoman, after he has received a general pardon. Fourth year of Pontificate.

28. (56.) Roll "No. 1," of John Sherwood, Bp. of Durham (10 Aug., 1485, to 12 Jan., 1493—4): Nil.

29. (57.) Roll "No. 2," of same: Nil.

30. (58.) Roll "No. 3," of same. m. 5: Emreson, Roger, late of Westyate, in Werdale, yeoman, otherwise described as labourer, and as late of Sunderland, and late of Middilton. Has a general pardon at the request of George, Lord Lomley. Seventh year of Pontificate.

31. (59) Roll "No. 4," of same: This roll is marked No. 4 (DD), of Bishop Sherwood, and is described in the Appendix to 16th Report of Deputy Keeper (p. 59), as "An exemplification of Interrogatories and Depositions of Witnesses on behalf of Sir John Lumley, Knt., Lord Lumley."

32. (60.) Roll "No. 1," of Richard Fox, Bp. of Durham (8 Dec., 1494, to ? Oct., 1501): Nil.

33. (61.) Roll "No. 2," of same: 13 Emereson, Wm., son of Roland, of Werdale. Is appointed Parker of the New Park of Stanhope, enclosed by a wall within the Old Park, and, of 1 the 4 Foresters in High Forest of Werdale. Sixth year of Pontificate m. 24: Emereson, Roland, of Estyate, in Wardale. Has grant of office of 1 of 4 Foresters of High Forest of Wardale, in place of John Emereson, late of Sunderland, together with a shele in Rocop called Smaleburnshele. Seventh year of Pontificate.

34. (62.) Roll "No. 3," of same: Nil.

35. (63.) Roll "No. 4," of same: Nil.

36. (64.) Roll "No. 1," of William Severs, Bp. of Durham (15 Oct., 1502, to 1505): Nil.

37. (65.) Roll "No. 2," of same: Nil.

38. (66.) Roll of the Bishopric of Durham, "Sede Vacante," 20—23 Hen. VII. [1505—1508]: Nil.

39. (67.) Roll of the Bishopric of Durham, "Sede Vacante," 20—23 Hen. VII. [1505—1508]. m. 3: Emereson, Geoffrey, Guy Fethyrstonehalgh, Henry Emereson, and Robert Emereson, Foresters, of High Forest of Werdale. Writ forbidding them to take game or cut timber without warrant. 21 Hen. VII. Emereson, Robert; Emryson, Alexander; Emryson, Henry, Foresters of the park of Stanhope. Writ forbidding them to take game or cut timber without warrant. 21 Hen. VII. m. 4: Emerson, George, son and heir of Geoffrey. Has grant of a lease for 21 years of a messuage called Estyateshele, and of land within the park of Stanhope. 22 Hen. VII.

40. (68.) Roll "No. 1," of Christopher Bainbridge, Bp. of Durham (17 Nov., 1507, to 20 Sept., 1508). m. 12: Emerson, Simon. Pardon to him and others for alienations, etc., of lands of Geo. Lomley, Knt. m. 21: Emerson, John; Emerson, Robert; Emerson, Thomas. See Hall, Thomas. Hall, Thomas, Rector of Wolsyngham; John Emerson, Robert Hall, William Hall, William Lawson, and Robert Emerson. Have grant of the custody of the lands, etc., late of Thos. Emerson, during the minority of Robert, his son and heir. Also grant to John Swynburn and Wm. Lawson of the custody and marriage of said Robt. Emerson. First year of Pontificate. m. 26: Emerson, Richard. Pardon to him and others for all intrusions, alienations, etc., to the use of Cathedral Church of Durham. First year of Pontificate.

41. (69.) Roll "No. 2," of Christopher Bainbridge: Nil.

42. (71.) Roll "No. 1," of Thomas Ruthall, Bp. of Durham (3 July, 1509, to 4 Feb., 1522—3): Nil.

43. (72.) Roll "No. 2," of Thomas Ruthall. Emerson, Rolland, of Litilhangardwell, in forest of Wardale. Has grant to farm of the "fermhold" of Litihangandwell, for term of five years, at rent of 26s. 8d. per ann. A.D. 1511. Emerson, George, son of Geoffrey Emerson, of Whesnopburn in Stanhoupharke. Has grant to farm of the "fermhold" called Estyateshele, and a place called "the hight of the parke" for term of 10 years, at the rents of £7 6s. 8d. and 66s. 8d. per ann. A.D. 1511. Emerson, John, of Ludwelshele in Stanhoupparke. Has grant to farm of the "said fermhold" for term of 10 years, at rent of 70s. per ann. A.D. 1511. Emerson, Geoffrey, of Whesnoweburne in Stanehoppark. Has grant to farm of the "fermhold" of Wesnowburne, and "foure nobyls formerle in Faweleyse" for 10 years at rent of £4 16s. 8d. per ann. A.D. 1511. Emerson, William, son of Geoffrey Emerson, of Langleeshele in Stanehopparke. Has grant to farm of the "fermald called Langlee" in Stanehopparke, for 5 years at rent of 53s. 4d. per annum. A.D. 1511. m. 3: Emerson, Alexander, of Esterblakden, in forest of Werdall. Has grant to farm of the "holdyng" of Esterblakden for term of 5 years, at rent of 13s. 4d. per ann. A.D. 1511. Emerson, Nicholas, of the Westyate, in Stanehopparke. Has grant to farm of 3d part of a quarter of the Westyate for 5 years, at rent of 23s. 4d. per ann. A.D. 1511. Emerson, Alexander, of Gaitcastilshele, "within the parke." Has grant to farm of the third part of a quarter of the Westyate for 5 years, at rent of 23s. 4d. per annum. A.D. 1511. Emerson, Edward, of the Grynwell, in Stanehopparke. Has grant to farm of half of the "holdyng" of Grynwell for 5 years, at rent of 17s. 9d. per ann. A.D. 1511. Emerson George, of Ireshopburnehelehouse in the high forest. Has grant to farm of half of the "farmehold" called Ireshopburnehelehouse for term of 5 years, at rent of 8s. per ann. A.D. 1511. m. 8: Emereson, John. Has grant of the custody of the lands, etc., late of Robert Todd, of Horsleyburn, during minority of his heir, together with marriage of Robert Todd, his next of kin and heir. Undated. m. 3d: Emerson, Geoffrey. Has grant to farm of the herbage of the park of Stanehop, for 9 years, at rent of 100s. per ann. A.D. 1511. Emerson, William, of Brotherlee, in Stanehopparke. Has grant to farm of the "fermhold," of Broderlee for term of 5 years, at rent of £4 per ann. 3 Hen. VIII. Emerson, Robert, of Ireshopburnpapworthhill, in forest of Wardell. Has grant to farm of half the "fermhold" of Ireshopburnpapworthhill, for term of 5 years, at rent of 15s. per ann. 3 Hen. VIII. Emerson, Richard, of Ireshopburnemouth, in forest of Wardell. Has grant to farm of half the "fermhold" of Ireshopburnemouth for term of 5 years, at rent of 14s. per ann. 3 Hen. VIII. m. 4d: Emerson, Robert, of Estyate, in Wardell. Has Deed enrolled whereby he released and surrendered to Richard Holton, of Hunwike, esq., all right, etc., in land, etc., in par. of Stanhop. Second year of Pontificate.

44. (73.) Roll "No. 1," of Thomas Wolsey, Bp. of Durham (30 Ap., 1523, to 27 Ap., 1529). m. 33: Emerson, George, brother and heir of Robert, the son and heir of Thomas. Has licence to enter, without proof of age, etc., upon the lands, etc., lately held by the said Robert, and pardon for all intrusions upon the same. Fourth year of Pontificate. Emereson, George, of Estyate, in Werdale. Has grant of a lease for 60 years of the messuage called "Estyate Sheill," or "Estyate," in Werdale, at rent of £10 per ann. Fifth year of Pontificate. Emereson, Ralph, of Swalwels. Has pardon for having caused the death of Thomas Hall, late of Swalwells, whom he had killed in self-defence. Fifth year of Pontificate (1528). Emersone, Robert, of Swalwells, and Coksey, Edward. Have grant of a lease for 40 years of the watermill of Swalwells, at a rent of 116s. 8d. per ann. Fourth year of Pontificate.

45. (74.) Roll "No. 2," of Thomas Wolsey, Bp. of Durham. m. 8d: Emerson, Ralph. See Hall, Ralph. Hall, Ralph, of Marley-on-the-Hill. Precept to the Bishop's steward directing him to admit said Ralph, according to the custom of the Hallmote Court, to make fine for land in Whikham, and a cottage and garden in Chester taken by him of the Lord Bishop; which said land, etc., had been held by Ralph Emerson, who had forfeited same on account of the murder of Thomas Hall. Fourth year of Pontificate.

46. (75.) Roll "No. 3," of Bp. Wolsey, consists of 4 membranes containing only Pleas and Presentations before the Justices of the Peace, and of Oyer and Terminer, from 1st to 3rd year of his Pontificate.

47. (76.) Roll "No. 4," of Thos. Wolsey, Bp. of Durham: Nil.

48. (70.) Curritor's Roll. "Sede Vacante," 21 Hen. VIII. [1529—30]. m. 3: Emereson, John, of Whesnopburne. Has grant of a lease for 12 years of messuages or sheles, called "Whesnopburneshele," and "Whitewell-shele," in the Park of Stanhope, at a rent of 70s. per ann. for the former, and 26s. 8d. for the latter. 21 Hen. VIII.

49. (77.) Roll No. 1 of Cuthbert Tunstall, Bp. of Durham. Pontificate extended [including an interval during which he was deprived in the reign of Edw. VI.] from 25th Mar., 1530, to Sept. or Oct., 1559, when he was finally deprived. m. 2: Emereson, Henry, of Westyate, in Wardale. Warrant for his release from Durham Gaol, where he had been imprisoned for arrears alleged to be due by him as Receiver of John Lomley, knight, Lord Lomley of Wardale. Security had been found for his appearance before the Justices in Eyre, at Durham. 21 Hen. VIII. m. 41: Emerson, George, of Estyate; Estyate, George Emerson, of. See Ayr, Lancelot; also Whitell, John. Fourteenth year of Pontificate. m. 41: Ayr, Lancelot. Is appointed parker of the New Park, within the Great Park of Stanhope, in succession to George Emerson, late of Estyate in Wardale. Nineteenth year of Pontificate. m. 41: Whitfeld, John. Has grant of the office of one of the 4 foresters in the High Forest of Wardale, lately held by George Emerson, late of Estyate. Nineteenth year of

Pontificate. m. 43 : Emerson, Margaret, sister and heir of George. Estyate, Margaret, sister of George Emerson, of. See Phillop, Thomas. m. 43 : Phillop, Thomas, and Margaret his wife, sister and heir of George Emerson, late of Estyate in Wardale, otherwise described as of Weshyngton. Have licence to enter, without proof of age of sd. Margaret, etc., upon the lands, etc., lately held by the sd. George, and pardon for all previous alienations of the same. Eighteenth year of Pontificate.

50. (78.) Roll No. 2 of Cuthbert Tunstall, Bp. of Durham : Nil.

51. (79.) Roll No. 3 of same. m. 1 : Emerson, Emmot. See Corneforthe, William. Corneforthe, William, yeoman. Has grant from Bp. of Durham (by Deed enrolled) of a lease of house and land in Stanhope Park for 20 years after death of Emmot Emerson, the existing tenant, at a rent of £3 10s. per ann. Edw. VI. *Vide* Barmeton E.'s.

52. (80.) Roll No. 4 of Cuthbert Turnstall, Bp. of Durham. m. 7 : Emerson, Emmott. See Cornfurthe, William. Cornefurthe, William, yeoman. Has grant (by Deed enrolled) of a lease from Bp. of Durham, of a house called "Westnay Burne," and lands in Stanhope Park for 21 years after the death of Emmot Emerson, widow, the existing tenant, at a rent of £3 10s. per ann. 5 Edw. VI.

53. (81.) Roll No. 1 of James Pilkington, Bp. of Durham (25 Mar., 1561, to 23 Jan., 1576) : Nil.

54. (82.) Roll No. 2 of same. m. 5 : Emerson, George. See Shaw, Thomas. Shaw, Thomas, and Geo. Emerson. Have grant of office of bailiff of Stanhope in Wardale during their lives. Fourth year of Pontificate.

55. (83.) Roll of 18 Eliz., during Vacancy of See of Durham : Nil.

56. (84.) Roll No. 1 of Richard Barnes. Bp. of Durham (29 May, 1577, to 24 Aug., 1587). m. 5 : Emerson, Ralph. See Clerke, George. Clerke, George, and others. Have pardon for their entry without licence into messuages, land, etc., in Witton Gilbert, purchased by them from Ralph Emerson and others. Tenth year of Pontificate. m. 17 : Emerson, Ralph. Has pardon for entry without licence into the manor of Witton Gilbert and messuages, etc., there, acquired from Thos. Knevett. Tenth year of Pontificate.

57. (85.) Roll No. 2 of same, headed "Recorda de homagiis et fidelitatibus" : Nil.

58. (86.) Roll No. 1 of Matthew Hutton, Bp. of Durham, including time during which See was vacant before beginning of his Pontificate (26 July, 1589, to 24 Mar., 1594—5). m. 8 : Emerson, Ralph, yeoman. Has licence to alienate to Anthony Meaburne and Catherine his wife a messuage, land, etc., in Witton Gilbert. 35 Eliz. m. 13 : Emerson, Edward, of Coueshouses, gentleman. Pardon for the purchase (without licence) by him, from Ralph Nevill, gent., of a messuage in Stanhope. 35 Eliz. m. 14 : Emerson, Robert, of Newcastle-on-Tyne. See Ellinor, Robert. Ellinor, Robert, of Huton Henry, yeoman. Pardon for the purchase (without licence) by him, from Robert Emerson, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, of a messuage in Huton Henry. 36 Eliz. m. 18 : Emerson, Edward, of Coueshouses. Pardon for the purchase (without licence) by him, from Ralph Nevill, gent., of a messuage called Coueshouses, in par. of Stanhope in Wardale. 35 Eliz. m. 3d : Emerson, Brian, and Catherine his wife, William Emerson and Margaret his wife, Eliz. Phillippe and Anne Phillippe. Have licence to enter, without proof of age, etc., upon the lands, etc., lately held by William Phillippe, whose daughters and heirs are the said Catherine, Margaret, Elizabeth and Anne. 32 Eliz.

59. (87.) Roll No. 2 of same, headed "Rotulus clausus processus e curiis domine Regine apud Westmonasterium emanantis, et Mattheo episcopo Dunelmense directi, continens a primo die Januarii, 1593, anno regni domine Eliz. 36, annoque consecracionis dicti episcopi, quinto" : Nil.

60. (88.) Roll No. 3 of same : Nil.

61. (89.) Roll No. 4 of same : Nil.

62. (90.) Roll No. 5 of same : Nil.

63. (91.) Roll No. 6 of same : Nil.

64. Roll No. 1 of Tobias Matthew, Bp. of Durham (7 Ap., 1595, to 28 Aug., 1606). m. 4d : Eastyate in Wardell, Francis Fulthroppe of, and Anne his wife, and messuages, etc., in ; Emerson, Robert, of Sunderland ; Emerson, William, the younger ; Emerson, Brian, and Catherine his wife. See Fulthroppe, Francis. m. 4d : Fulthroppe, Francis, of Eastyate in Wardell. Has Deed enrolled, whereby he and Anne his wife covenanted to levy a fine to Rob. Emerson, of Sunderland, William Emerson, the younger, Miles Burke and Robt. Leadome, all of Barmeton, of 4th part of certain messuages, etc., in Eastyate in Wardell and Stanhope, to use of Brian Emmerson and Katherine his wife, with remainders over. 39 Eliz. m. 23d : Emerson, Robert, of Brereton ; Emerson, Christopher. See Richardson, John. Richardson, John, and Rob. Moorey. Have pardon for entry, without licence, into lands, etc., in Newfeild, Bellerside, Marie banke in Stanhopp and Wolsingham, acquired from Robert Emerson, of Brereton, for life with remainder to Christopher Emerson. Third year of Pontificate.

65. (93.) Roll No. 2 of Tobias Matthew, Bp. of Durham. m. 6 : Emerson, Thomas, gent., son and heir of Robert Emerson, gent. Has licence to enter, without proof of age, etc., upon the lands, etc., lately held by his father. Twelfth year of Pontificate. m. 12 : Emerson, Christopher. See Fetherstonhalghe, John. Fetherstonhalghe, John. Has pardon for purchase of various lands, specified, in par. of Stanhope, from Christopher Emerson, without licence. Twelfth year of Pontificate.

66. (94.) Roll No. 1 of William James, Bp. of Durham (16 Sept., 1606, to 12 May, 1617). m. 13 : Emmerson, George, the younger. Has grant of the office of one of the parkers of the park of Stanhopp, for life, with the fee of 45s. 6d. per ann. Second year of Pontificate. Emerson, George, the elder, and George Emerson, the younger. Have grant of the office of bailiff of Stanhope for their lives. Second year of Pontificate. m. 4 : Emerson, William, yeoman, Has licence of entry, without proof of age, etc., into the lands, etc., late of George Emerson, yeoman, of whom he is son and heir. Fifth year of Pontificate.

[This appears to be the last of the Bishops' Rolls. In the 44th Report of the Deputy Keeper some of the Cursitor's Rolls are set out.]

Bundle 12. 22—36 Edw. III. [1348—1362.] At Stokton, on Wednesday next following the feast of All Saints, in the 5th year of Bp. Hatfield [1350]. Hertburn. Ad Taillour, Richard Emson, etc., Jurors ; Rogerus fil Roberti, Ricardus Emusson, etc., Jurors. Birys. Johannes Emysson, etc., Jurors. Stanhope. Kirstan ux. Roberti Emusson, fined 3d. In the 6th year of Bp. Hatfield. Neubotyll. William Emmeson. Grant of new farm. In the 8th and 9th years of Bp. Hatfield. Byres. John Emeryson, etc., Jurors. In the 13th year of said Bishop. Coundon. De Johanne Emeryson pro licencia manuopandi unum Cotagium et xii. acras terre pro quibus Juliana filia Henr. finivit que est infra etalem ad terminum ix. annorum —xl.d. In the 16th year of said Bp. Bryes. John Emerysman, Juror. John Emeryson pro rescusso facto Johanni Don ballivo domini Episcopi prout compertum est per plegium Jur.—xl.d. Halmote at Midilham, Monday next before the feast of St. Martin, in the 6th year of Thomas, Bishop of Durham. Seggefeld. William Emmeson fined 6d. for breaking the assize. [This same entry appears in 2 or 3 subsequent halmotes.] Halmote at Middleham, Wednesday next after the feast of SS. Peter and Paul, 14th year of Thomas, Bishop of Durham. Sedgfeld. John Emmeson, fined 6d. for breaking a covenant made with William Crow. Halmote at Middleham, Thursday in the feast of St. Swithin, 16th year of Thomas, B. of Durham. Isabella, daughter of William Emson, fined 6d. Wife [name not given] of Wm. Emson, fined 12d.

No. 135. Nil.

No. 13. Halmote held at Darlington on Tuesday next, before the feast of SS. Simon and Jude, 1st year of Walter, B. of Durham. Bondgate in Darlington. Mentions Thomas Emmotson. In the 17th year of the said Bishop there is a mention of William Emotson and Isabella his wife. Bondgate in Darlington.

No. 14. Halmot of Middelham, 8th year Thomas, B. of Durham. Segefeld. Mentions Robert Emotson, of Stillington.

Bundle 13. Bk. of Halmotes, 12 Ric. II.—5 Hen. IV. [1388—1403, 499 mems.]. Court held at Wolsingham, Monday after the feast of St. Luke, 1st year of Walter (Skirlaw), Bp. of Durham (1388). Stanhop. William Emeryson mentioned. Adam, son of Robert Emeryson, paid fine on taking a mess. and 16 acres of land ; Robert Emeryson being his surety. Court held at Houghton, Thursday before St. Cuthbert's day, same year. Revehop. John Uttyng recovers 50s. against Robert Jonson and Johanna, his wife, executrix of Thomas Emison (? if this be Emison or Gunson), for the marriage of Cecilia, dau. of sd. Thos. Court held at Stokton, Tuesday after St. Cuthbert's day, same year. Stokton. John Emuson fined. Court held at Walsyngham, Sunday after St. Cuthbert's day, same year. Bedburn. Thomas Emerson fined. Court held at Esyngton, 7 January, 14 Ric. II. Esyngton. Matilda, late wife of Walter* Emson, surrenders a mess. and 3 bovates of land which she holds as the widow, being unable to retain them ; they are taken by Wm. Colynson. (*The name when it first occurs looks like "Robti." written over "Walti.," but "idm. Waltus" plainly written follows.) [N.B.—The name John Emmotson occurs at Sadburgh, 11 January of this year.] At halmote at Wolsingham, 13th of January of the same year. Stanhop. Thomas, son of Robert Emeryson, takes a tent. and 15 acres of land called Rauynsfeld, surrendered by Thos. Marshall.

Wm. de Merlay and Wm. Emeryson are elected collectors and sworn in. At halmote at Stokton, 18th March of the same year. Hardwyk. Hugh Emson mentioned and fined. [N.B.—John Emmetson mentd. again at Sadby. on the 14th March.] At halmote at Stokton, 8th August of the same year (15 Ric. II.). Stokton. John and Hugh Emson are fined. At halmote at Wolsyngham, 11th Aug. of same year. Stanhope. William Emryson is surety for a lessee, and again at the next halmote at the same place. At halmote at Stokton, 21st May, 4th year of Bp. Walter. Stokton. Hugh Emson. At halmote at Wolsingham, Tuesday after St. Oswald's day same year. Stanhop. William Emeryson security for a lessee. At halmote at Migdelham, Monday after St. Lawrence's day same year. Stokton. Hugh and John Emson mentioned, and also at the next halmote at that place. At halmote at Sadbury, Tuesday after All Saints' day, 5 Bp. Walter. Sadbury. Edoma, widow of John Emmotson, takes lease of land. At halmote at Langchester, Wednesday after St. Andrew's day same year. Buttesfeld, Broneshell-cum-Sacly. Hugh del Parke fined for detaining 8s. 8d. from salary of William Emeryson, "Capellanus." At halmote at Wolsyngham, Monday in the 2nd week of Lent, 3rd of March, 5th year of Bp. Walter. Stanhop. Robert Emeryson pays fine of 12d. for a mess. and 6 acres of land, surrendered by Robert Cuts to his use, the sd. Cuts holding them in right of Christian Mody, Emeyson to hold them during life of said Christian. At halmote at Stokton, 10th May, 5 Bp. Walter. Stokton. Hugh Emeson* brings suit for trespass. (Spelt here also Emson.) John Emson does the same. [N.B.—Henceforward no more Emsons are noted.] *An Emmeson (fil Emme).—P. H. E. At halmote at Wolsyngham, Monday in Feast of St. Thomas the Archbp. same year. Stanhop. Robert Emeryson and Wm. de Fethirstonhalgh take from the Lord the mill of Stanhop for 10 years, with suit of court, etc., and with ann. rent of 9m. Sureties:—Wm. Emeryson and John Blakhed. At halmote at Wolsyngham, Monday in the Feast of St. Margt. the Virgin, 6th year. Stanhop. Robert Emeryson is surety for a lessee, and is again surety at the same place on Sunday after St. Edmund's day, 7th year of Bp. Walter; when also John, son of Robert Emeryson, is fined 6d. for trespass. Thomas, son of Robert Emeryson, is elected one of the collectors for the year at the same court. Robert E. is again surety at the same place in Lent of the same year. At halmote at Stokton, Lent in the 7th year of Bp. Walter. Carleton. Robert Emmotson was elected Collector. This same name occurs here again the next year. At halmote at Stanhop, Robert Emeryson is again surety for 3 persons, on Monday after St. Luke's day, 8th year of Bp. Walter. At the same Court. Bedburne. One John de Faldirlay is fined 6d. for wrongly detaining 6s. 8d. from Robert Emeryson. Richard Maddyson ditto. Robert Emeryson pays 12d. on taking a piece of land called Bennesclose, surrendered by Cristian Benett, widow, in his behalf. At halmote at Wolsingham, Tuesday in the Feast of St. Luke, 8th year of Bp. Walter Stanhop. Robert Emerrison, surety. Bedburne. At this place Ralph de Eure, Kt., takes the piece of land called Bensclose, wh. Robert Emerrison had in right of a widow and wh. he now surrenders. At halmote at Wolsingham, Sunday in the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude, 9th year. Bedburn. Robt. Emeryson fined. Stanhop. Mem.—That Wm., son of John de Merley, holds 24 a. land, late belonging to Robert Emeryson, lying in the field of Milnerbri., and ought to pay 2s. per an. At halmote at Wolsingham, Wednesday in the 2nd week in Lent, same year. Stanhop. Thomas Emeryson fined for not repairing his part of the lord's mill. Robert Emeryson fined. Thomas, son of Robert Emeryson, pays fine of 5s. on taking the holding lately held by John de Blaby, formerly parson of the church of Stanhope. Sureties:—Robt. Emeryson and Wm. de Fethirstanhalgh. Byssshopley. Robert and William Emeryson are sureties for one Alice Tomson. At halmote at Wolsingham, Tuesday in the Vigil of St. James, Ap., same year. Stanhop. Robert Emeryson, a surety. Wm. de Fethirstonhalgh takes 3 waste tofts surrendered by Thomas, son of Robert Emeryson. Bedburne. Robert Emeryson, a surety. Stanhop, at halmote as above, 10th year of Bp. Walter. Robert Emeryson again a surety, and again [? Robert] Emeryson and Thos. Emeryson, the same year at the same place. At halmote at Wolsyngham, Monday before St. Mark's day, same year. Bedburn. Robert Emeryson fined. At halmote at Wolsyngham, Monday after St. Andrew's day, 12th year. Stanhop. Adam, son of Robert Emeryson, pays £4 on taking a mess. and 20 a. of Chekerland in Newlandside, late in tenure of John Besyng. Robert Emeryson was one of the sureties. Bedburn. Robert Emyerson takes from the lord the mill of Stanhop for 10 yrs., at ann. rent of £6. Thomas Emeryson one of the sureties. At halmote at Wolsyngham, Tuesday in the Feast of St. Matthew, 13th year. Stanhop. Robert Emeryson pays 12d. on taking a toft and 5 a. 3 r. of land, late in tenure of Robt. Besing, decd. At halmote at Wolsyngham, Tuesday before St. Katherine's day, 14th year. Stanhop. Robert Emeryson is fined, etc. At halmote at Wolsyngham, 4th week of Lent, same year. Stanhop. John Colman fined for an assault on Wm. Emeryson. [N.B.—Fol. 400b. Robert Emson, as always before spelt, is here written Emmotson. P. 389b. both Emson and Emmotson appear in the record of the same court.] At halmote at Wolsyngham, Vigil of St. Jas. the Apostle, 14th year. Stanhop. Robert Emeryson is surety for his servant Christian. He is mentioned again at ditto in 3rd week of Lent, 16th year; and again on Monday before St. Oswald's day, same year. At halmote at Wolsyngham, Monday after St. Scolastica's day, 17th year. Stanhop. Robert Emeryson is fined. Thomas Emeryson acts as attorney for William Colynson, junior. On Monday in the Vigil of the B.V.M., same year, Thos. E. stands as a surety.

Bundle 14. Book of Halmotes, 7 Hen. IV.—1 Hen. VI. (1320 fols., 1406—1422). At halmote at Wolsyngham, Monday, in the 2nd week in Lent, 18th year of Bishop Walter. Stanhop. Adam Emeryson mentioned. At halmote at Wolsyngham, Tuesday after the Assumption of the B.V.M., 2nd year of Bishop Thomas (Longley). Stanhope. John Taillour fined for not producing William Emeryson, Chaplain, to answer to the lord for an assault on John Legg. At halmote at Wolsyngham, 15 July, same year. Stanhop. William Emeryson fined. Thomas Robinson* fined on taking a mess. and 5 acres of Chekerland in Newlandsyde, in tenure of Robert Emeryson, his father (*sic*) . . . . *This name appears in full Thos. Robinson Emerson many times afterwards.—P. H. E. At halmote at Wolsyngham, Monday before St. Katherine's day, 3rd year of Bp. Thomas. Stanhop. William Emeryson, Chaplain, holds a yard there alienated without licence. At halmote at Wolsyngham, 11th of March, same year. Stanhop. John Robynson Emeryson, fined. William Emeryson, chaplain, fined for assault on Wm. Dagett, chaplain. At halmote at Wolsyngham, 2nd Dec., 4th year of Bp. Thomas. Stanhop. Robert Maltby pays for the profits of a garden alienated *in manu mortua* called ladyland, late in the tenure of Wm. Emeryson, chaplain, 4d. At halmote at Wolsyngham, 28 Feb., 6th year of Bp. Thomas. Stanhop. John Emeryson fined. John Robinson Emeryson pays on taking a tent., etc., in Rukhop, 6d. Sureties:—Thos. and Adam Robinson. Wolsingham. William, son of William Emeryson, fined for assault. At halmote at Wolsingham, 11 July, 6 Bp. Thomas. Wolsingham. Wm., son of Wm. Emeryson, fined. At halmote at Wolsingham, 20 Nov., 8th year of Bp. Thomas. Stanhop. Wm. Emeryson mentioned. He was collector at that place, 20th Nov., 9th year of Bp. Thomas. At halmote at Wolsingham, 1st December, 11th year of Bp. Thomas. Stanhop. Proclamation that Alice, relict of the late William Emeryson, should come and fine for the lands of her late husband, viz., 2 closes, etc. At the following halmote, on 28th Feb., 12th year, Alice, widow of Wm. Emeryson, for 20 acres of land called snapgest. in 2 closes at Newlandsyde, to be held as sd. Wm. held, etc., paid fine. Sureties:—John Emeryson and Robert Chapman. At halmote at Wolsingham, 19 Aug., 13th year of Bp. Thomas, Alice, widow of Wm. Emeryson, pays 6d. for licence "tab" (*sic*) [= tabernandi, but here (?) tabernaculandi, = license to live upon; but qy. whether it is not intended for license to alienate] the above 20 a. l. called snapgest. and 2 closes for the term of 10 years. At halmote at Wolsingham, 3rd November, 16th year of Bishop Thomas. Stanhop. John Emeryson brings a suit for debt. At halmote at Wolsingham, 14th July, same year. Stanhop. John Emeryson sues for debt. Adam Emeryson is fined. At halmote at Wolsingham, 30th Sept., 17th year of Bp. Thomas. Stanhop. John Emeryson sues for debt (and again on 14th Jany. same yarr). Alice Emeryson fined for not keeping up a ditch between her land and that of Thos. Robinson at Snawecloos.

Bundle 15 (808 pp., 17—35 Hen. VI). So given in calendar. At a halmote at Wolsingham, 2nd Dec., 1st year of Bishop Robert [Nevill], 1438. Stanhop. Thomas Emeryson fined on taking the whole of the tenure surrendered by William Emeryson to his use. At a halmote at Wolsingham, 3rd Feb., 16 Hen. VI. (sede Ep. vacante). Stanhop. Agnes Emeryson, for custom, 6d.; on the 4th of Aug., 1st year of Bp. Robert, she was fined for not coming to court; and again, for assault on Thomas Mayre, and carrying off a cow. At a halmote at Wolsingham, 30th Oct., 2nd year of Bishop Robert. Stanehop. William Emrison takes lease of the entire holding held by the late John Colman. Fine, 2s. He is also security on two other leases. John Emryson als. Robynson, junr., fined for custom, 6d. Collectors: John Robynson and Robert Emryson. At a halmote at Wolsingham, 14th March, same year. Stanhop. Thos. Hetheryngton fined for

assault on William Emryson. Bedburney. Robert Emryson, de le Estyate, surety on a lease. At a halmote at Wolsingham, 13th March, 3rd year of Bp. Robert. Stanhop. Thomas Emeryson is to have until the next Courtday to repair a tenement; John Emeryson, of Newelansyde, is to have time to bring forward sureties for his holding; Agnes Emery is fined. Wolsingham. Richard Emeryson to answer to the lord for carrying off of sticks contrary to the Seneschal's order. At the next halmote, 16th June, 4th year, John Emeryson was surety on a lease. At halmote at Wolsyngham, 15th Oct., 4th year of Bp Robert. Stanhop. Robert and Thomas Emryson sureties on a lease. Thomas Emryson surrenders in Court a mess. with appurtenances, called Brounlaceplace, and another mess, etc., called Huntrodesplace. Wolsyngham. Robert Emryson is surety on a lease; and, again at the next Court, 8th of March, same year. At halmote at Wolsingham, 10th Oct., 5 Bp. Robert (1443). Stanhope. Robert Emerison, a surety. At halmote at Wolsingham, 1st July, 6th year of Bp. Robert. Stanhop. John Emeryson (entered), of Neulandsyd, for the reproving of Robert Emeryson, of Neulandsyd, openly in Court; and Robert, reciprocally with John. At halmote at Wolsingham, 12th Feb., 6th year of Bp. Robert. Stanehope. Robert, son of John Emryson, fined 4s. on taking a holding surrendered by his father for that purpose. Robert Emryson, surety. At halmote at Wolsingham, 7th Oct., 7th year of Bp. Robert. Stanehop. Robert Emryson, junior, a surety. At halmote at Wolsingham, 4th July, 10th year of Bp. Robert. Stanehope. John Emryson fined for an assault on Richard Mayre. At halmote at Aukland, 21st Oct., 13th year of Bp. Robert. Newton (Stanhope). Robert Emryson fined for not coming to Court, and again at the same place, 25th Oct., of the next year. At halmote at Wolsingham, 22nd Oct., same year. Stanehop. John Emryson was elected collector. Wolsyngham. John Emrison mentioned. At halmote at Wolsingham, 21st Feb., 15th year of Bp. Thomas Langley (1421). Staynhop. Agnes Emryson, party to an agreement in settlement of debt. (N.B.—This is the Agnes Emry noted previously in this vol., when the name first occurred: written Emry, she has been mentioned on several occasions at that place, but there have been no genealogical particulars. In Feb. of the next year she is again called Emry.) At halmote at Wolsyngham, 7th Nov., 16th year of Bp. Thomas. Staynhop. Wm. Emrison brings a suit for debt. Robert Emrison fined for not coming to Court. At halmote at Wolsyngham. 12 Feb., 16th year of Bp. Thomas. Stanhop. William Emryson, a surety. At halmote at Wolsyngham, 7th Oct., 18th year of Bp. Thomas. Staynhop. Robert Emrison fined for not coming to Court. William Emrison elected collector for Rocopsyd. Robert Emrison elected Collector for Snapgast.

No. 136, 1406. 7 Hen. IV. to 3 Hen. V., 15—16 Hen. VI.: No Emersons.

No. 137. 10 Hen. V. to 5 Hen. VI.: No Emersons.

No. 138. 7—14 Hen. VI.: Nil.

No. 139. 17—20 and 22—24 Hen. VI.: Nil.

No. 140. 5 Hen. VII. (?): Nil.

Court Rolls, General Series, Portfolio 171, n. 11, 8 Jas. I.: Nil.

No. 16. 36 Hen. VI. to 16 Edw. IV., fo. 15. Halmote held at Wulsyngham, 22nd Aug., in the 1st year of Lawrence, Bp. of Durham (1457). Stanhope. John Emrison de le Parke, fined 6s. 8d. for penalty broken by carrying sticks unlawfully against the peace. Halmote held at Darlington, 17 Jany., in the 2nd year of Lawrence, Bp. of Durham. Demise of Robert Tood, son of Agnes wife of Robert Tood, one of the daus. and heirs of Agnes, late the wife of Thomas Forster, deceased, for 2 messuages and 3 bovates of land called Adampomeland, in Bongate in Darlington, and the moiety of 1 messuage and croft lying upon the clayrawe on the North part next to the bridge of Darlington, which the said Agnes Forster, mother of the said Agnes Tood, held in her right, and for which, as well the said Agnes, wife of Robert Tood, as Isabella, late the wife of John Stanton, another of the daus. and heirs of the said Agnes Forster, and Elizabeth, wife of Robert Emrison, the third of the daus. and heirs of the said Agnes Forster, refused here in this Court to make fine. To hold to the said Robert Tood in right according to the custom of the Court—13s. 4d. Of Robert Emrison, son of Elizabeth, wife of Robert Emrison, 1 of the daus. and heirs of Agnes, late the wife of Thomas Forster, for 2 messuages and 3 bovates of land in bougate in Darlington, called Fooddesland, and the moiety of 1 messuage and 1 garden lying on the north part of the Clayrawe there next the bridge of Darlington, which the said Agnes Forster held in right, and for which the said Elizabeth, Isabella and Agnes refused to make fine. To hold to him in right, according to the custom of the Court—13s. 4d. Halmote held at Wulsyngham, 8 April, in the 2nd year of Lawrence, Bp. of Durham. Wulsyngham. Richard Emrison, pledge for Lawrence Grenwell. Halmote held at Wolsyngham, on Tuesday, the 10th day of October, 3 Edw. IV. [1463]. Stanhope demise. 12d. from Robert Emryson, of Estyate, for waste toft and 8 acres of land thereto belonging, wherein Robert Colman had a right. Robert Emryson, collector. Halmote held at Chester, 12 Oct., 3 Edw. IV. Urpath cum Pokerley. From John Blenkansop and Robert Emryson, for all that tenure wherein William Lomley, Chevalier, now has the right called Newefeld—20s. Halmote held at Wolsyngham, 5 March, 4 Edw. IV. Stanhope. John Emryson, fined 6d. for damage done by a pig on Castelhughe. Halmote held at Wolsyngham, 26 Oct., 8 Lawrence, Bp. Durham. Stanhope. William Emryson, fined 6d. for default. Halmote held at Wolsyngham, 12 May, 8 Lawrence, Bp. Durham. Stanhope. Robert Emreson, of Brauncepath, fined 6d. for not repairing his mill. William Emryson, a surety. Halmote held at Wolsyngham, 21 Oct., 9 Lawrence, Bp. Durham. Stanhop. William Emrison, fined 12d. for assault on Rowland Hedley. Halmote held at Wolsyngham, 1st Nov., 12th year of said Bp. Stanhope. Demise of Beatrice Emereson, relict of Robert Emerson, for all the tenure of the said Robert, 1 parcel of land called Bolteshevd excepted. 4s. Surety, John Emereson. And 3s. of George Emereson, for all the tenure of Robert Colmane, and afterwards of Robert Emereson, lately deceased, and in which Beatrice Emereson, relict of the said Robert, having her right of widowhood, surrenders her estate to the use of the said George, now being under age. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 25 July, 12th Lawrence, Bp. Durham. Stanhope. Robert Emereson, of Brauncepath, fined 2s. for not repairing his mill. [This same entry occurs again at the halmote held at Wolsingham, 18 March, 14th year of said Bp.] Halmote held at Wolsingham, 18 July, 14th year of said Bp. Stanhope. John Emryson, fined 3s. 4d. for assault made upon Adam Grenesuerd, and the said Adam fined 3s. 4d. for assault upon the said John. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 1 April, 16th year of said Bp. Stanhope demise. 2s. from William Hedle, for a certain pasture called Boltheved, wherein Robert Emereson having a right, has surrendered his estate to the use of the said William. Thomas Emereson mentioned as surety. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 11 July, 17th year of said Bishop. Stanhope. William Emereson, one of the jurors.

No. 17. 16 Edw. IV. to 1 Ric. III. Halmote held at Wolsyngham, 17 July, 1st year of William Bishop of Durham (1476). Stanhope. Robert Emereson mentioned as surety. Halmote held at Wolsyngham, 16 July, 2nd year of said Bp. Stanhope demise. John Emereson mentioned as surety. 16d. from John Emereson and Isabella his wife for 1 parcel of land containing in breadth 20 feet, and in length 80 feet, for 1 house there newly built and other parcels and for having 1 orchard there containing in breadth 20 feet and in length 40 feet, on the west side of the Castelhogh, which Thomas Belsowe had in his right while he lived: to hold to the said John and Elizabeth [*sic*] as in right of the said Elizabeth. Sureties: John Emereson, of Stanehopark, and Wm. Fethirstanehalgh. Halmote held at Wolsyngham, 22 July, 3rd year of said Bp. Stanhope. To this Court came William Cruk and surrendered all his right in all the lands and tenements within the parish of Stanhope, which formerly were of Alexander Brauncepath, to wit, for the whole tenure which the said Alexander held, and afterwards in the tenure of Emereci Taillor, and further, in the tenure of Robert Emereson to the use of Elizabeth, late the wife of the said Robert Emereson and the heirs of the said Robert: to hold to the said Elizabeth for her life, and after her decease to the right heirs of the said Robert—3s. 4d. Halmote held at Wolsyngham, 6 Feb., 3rd year of said Bp. Stanhope demise. 3s. from Richard Emryson, son of Agnes, one of the daus and heirs of Adam Rogerly, for the moiety of 1 piece of land called Bewedaleleys, containing 11½ acres of land whereof the moiety contains 5¾ a., 1 r which Thomas Rogerley, father of the said Adam, had in his right. Surety: Adam Emeryson. 3s of John Ferror, son of Nicholas Ferror and Alice his wife, sister of Adam Rogerley, son and heir of Thomas Rogerley, for the moiety of 1 piece of land called Bewedeleys, which the said Thomas held in his right while he lived. Surety: Adam Emereson. Wolsingham. 20d. of the said Richard Emereson, son of Agnes, dau. of Adam Rogerley, for the moiety of 1 messuage of Exchequer land (tr. Scii.), and 20 a. of land of the husbandman (tr. husb.), and the moiety of 1 cottage with a croft called Crampeshous, which Thomas Rogerley, father of said Adam, held. And 20d. from said John Ferror for the other moiety. 12d. from George Rogerley for 1 cottage and croft wherein Thomas Rogerley, his

father, had a right. Richard Emereson came and surrendered all his right and claim in all his lands and tenements in Stanehope and Wolsingham, to the use of Thomas Emereson, his son and heir. Halmote held at Wolsyngham, 20 Feb., 7th year of William, Bp. of Durham. Stanhope demise. 2s. 6d. from Adam Emreson, son and heir of William Emreson, for all the tenure that the said William, his father, held. And 20d. from the said Adam for 2 a. of land and meadow lying at Rukhopsyd wherein Robert Wall, junior, has surrendered his estate to the use of the said Adam and "sequelis suis." Halmote held at Langchestre, 17th Oct., 8th year of said Bp. Langchestre. 12d. from Robert Rypon for assault made upon the servant of Robert Emreson.

No. 16. At a halmote held at Darlington, 17th January, 2nd year of the Pontificate of Laurence, Bishop of Durham (1459). Bongate in Darlington. A fine of 18s 4d. on a lease, from Robert Toods, son of Agnes, wife of Robert Toods, one of the daughters and heirs of Agnes, late wife of Thomas Forster, decd., for 2 messuages and 3 bovates of land called Adampomelands, etc., in Bondgate, formerly held by aforesd. Agnes Forster; her 3 daughters, (1) Agnes Toods, (2) Isabella, late wife of John Stanton, (3) Elizabeth, wife of Robert Emrison, not wishing to fine thereon in this Court. The like, under like circumstances, from Thomas Stanton, son of Isabella and John Stanton, for 5 mes. in Northgate, etc. The like, under like circumstances from Robert Emrison, son of Elizabeth, wife of Robert Emrison, for 2 mes. and 3 bovates of land in Bongate, called Toodeslands, and half a mes., etc., on the north side of the Clayrawe, near the bridge in Darlyngton.

No. 23. At a halmote at Darlington, 7th May, 1st year of Bishop Cuthbert (1530). Bondgate in Darlington. Robert Emerson, Chairman of the Jury; and again on 8th Oct. of same year. At halmote at Darlington, 14th June, 2nd year of Bishop Cuthbert (1531). Bondgate in Darlington. Robert Emerson was a member of the Jury, and took a lease of 2 mes. and 3 bovates of land in Bondgate, called Toddislands, and half a mes., etc., on the North side of the "clayehare" by the bridge in Darlington, in which Thomas Emerson, Chaplain, had rights, which he made over in Court to Robert Emerson. Sureties: William Marshall and Robert Todd. Fine of 13s. 4d. At the same halmote he was surety for Wm. Johnson. Robert Emerson was a member of the Jury on the 11th of Oct., 2nd year of Bp. Cuthbert, for Bondgate. At a halmote at Darlington, 14th May, 3rd year of Bp. Cuthbert, for Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson is fined 6d. for not making his part of a ditch at Kelloocruke, and *re* pasturage of his cattle in Byhirsells, 12d. Leonard Emerson fined 6d. for having pastured twice at Grangefield with his horses on two occasions. Robert Emerson was surety for Agnes, widow of Robert Ward. At a halmote at Darlington, 8th October, 3rd year of Bp. Cuthbert. Bondgate. Robert Emerson was fined 6d. because he would not drive the cattle in his neighbourhood on his rides ("in cursu suo") as far as Southcarrs. At a halmote at Darlington, 15th Oct., 4th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson was on the Jury, and was surety for James Walker. At halmote at Darlyngton, 8th Oct., 5th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Robert Emerson was on the Jury, for Bondgate division, and was fined 6d. for ploughing land without right at Blakwelkarr. He was surety for John Shepherd, Alice, late wife of John Cowling, Robert Todd and Edwd. Parkinson. At halmote at Darlyngton, 7 Oct., 6th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson and John Hudles were fined together 6d. each for not doing their part of a certain ditch "ad finem Selioun." At halmote at Darlyngton, 25th Oct., 7th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson was on the Jury, and paid 6d. into Court for custom. At halmote at Darlyngtou, 6th June, 8th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson was on the Jury, and was surety for Alice, late wife of Wm. Marshall, and Agnes, wife of Edwd. Marshall. At halmote at Darlyngton, 12th March, 8th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson was Chairman of the Jury, and surety for Isabella and Margery, daughters of John Wedrell. At halmote at Darlyngton, 11th May, 11th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson was on the Jury, and surety for Robert Cornforth. At halmote at Darlyngton, 26th Oct., 11th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson was on the Jury; also on the 11th of July, 12th year of Cuthbert. At a halmote at Darlington, 14th Nov., 12th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson was on the Jury, and was surety for Johanna Walker, widow, dau. of John Shepherd. At a halmote at Darlington, 6th June, 13th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson was on the Jury, and was surety for William Marshall; and also Collector for the Court. At a halmote at Darlington, 20th Oct., 14th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson fined 6d. At a halmote at Darlington, 6th May, 15th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson on Jury, and surety for John Walker and Robt. Dobson. At a halmote at Darlington, 16th Oct., 15th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson on Jury, and surety for Edwd. Atkinson. Martin Emerson fined 2s. for breaking the lord's hedge. At a halmote at Darlington, 29th May, 17th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson on the Jury. At a halmote at Darlington, 13th Oct., 17th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson on Jury, and fined 6d. for 2 offences. At a halmote at Darlington, 21st Oct., 18th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson fined 6d At a halmote at Darlington, 3rd May, 19th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson on the Jury. At a halmote at Darlington, 25th Oct., 19th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson and William Emerson on the Jury. At halmote at Darlington, 8th May, 21st year of Bp. Cuthbert. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson on the Jury; also on 25th Sept. of that year; also on the 12th May, 22nd year; also on 19th Nov., same year, when he paid 8d. into Court for Custom. He was on Jury on 26th April, 7 Edw. VI.; also on 25th Oct., 24th year of Bp. Cuthbert, when he was surety for Robt. Todd, on taking up lease of lands called Adampomlands, etc. At halmote at Darlington, 14th July, 25th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson was fined 12d. In conjunction with Robt Tod, he demised to John Russell a waste toft and garden, on which to build a house, for a term of 21 years. At halmote at Darlington, 13th May, 27th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson was on Jury; also on 13th Oct., same year, when he was surety for Johanna Marshall. He sat on Jury also on 13th May, 28th year of Cuthbert. At halmote at Darlington, 17th June, 29th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson fined 8d. for trespass. At halmote at Darlington, 30th Sept., same year. Bondgate Division. Leonard Emerson on Jury. At halmote at Darlington, 5th April, 30th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Bondgate Division. Margery, widow of Robert Emerson, took a lease of the mes. and lands called Toddislands, etc., held by her late husband, for the usual term of years; fine, 13s. 4d.

No. 24. At a halmote at Darlyngton, 19th June, 6 Eliz. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson and others were fined 16d. each for not doing their parts of "le mylne dame." To this Court came Robert Emerson, kinsman and heir of Robert Emerson, viz., son and heir of Leonard Emerson, son and heir of sd. Robt. Emerson, and took lease of the mes. and lands called Toddislands; fine, 13s. 4d. Sureties: John Thompson and John Harrison. At a halmote at Darlyngton, 28th Oct., 7 Eliz. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson on Jury; also on 20th April, same year. At a halmote at Darlyngton, 23rd April, 9 Eliz. Bondgate Division. Robert Emerson to pay 1s. for enclosing free land. At a halmote at Darlyngton, 6th May, 11th Eliz. Bondgate Division. John Startfurth took lease of a mes. in Darlyngton, in which Robert Emerson surrendered his rights. At a halmote at Darlyngton, 14th Oct., 11 Eliz. Bondgate Division. Henry Emerson was surety for James Hoggart.

No. 18. 1 Ric. III. to 8 Hen. VII. Halmote held at Wolsyngham, 21st Oct., 2nd year of John Bp. of Durham (1487). Stanhope. George Emreson, Collector. Halmote held at Wolsyngham, 10th Feb., 2nd year of said Bp. Stanhope demise. 5s. from Richard Hogeson for all the tenure wherein Robert Emreson, son of John Emreson, surrenders all his estate to the use of the said Richard. Halmote held at Chester, 22nd Oct., 3rd year of said Bp. Whitburn and Clendon. Robert Emereson fined 6d. for keeping pigs beyond the extent of the town. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 15th Feb., 4th year of said Bp. Stanhope. John Emereson mentioned as surety of Rowland Herper. Wolsingham. Christopher Emereson surety to Isabella Hudson. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 9th Nov., 4th year of said Bp. Stanhope. John Emreson, surety to John Stooke. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 17th July, 5th year of the said Bp. Stanhope. Adam Emreson fined 6d. for not coming to Court. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 4th Oct., 5th year of the said Bp. Stanhope demise. 8d. from William Emreson, kinsman and heir of Thomas Belsowe for 1 parcel of land containing in length 20 feet, and in length 30 feet for 1 house to be built there, and another parcel for 1 orchard there containing in length

20 feet, and in length 40 feet, on the west part of the Castelhugh. The said William Emereson surrenders his right in the said premises to Peter Westwood who pays 8d. for the fine. Halmote held at Wolsyngham, 27th Nov., 6th year of John, Bp. of Durham. Wolsingham demise. 20d. from Thomas Emreson, son and heir of Richard Emreson, for moiety of 1 messuage of Exchequer land and 20 a. of arable land and the moiety of 1 cottage with a croft called Crampeshouse, which the said Richard has surrendered to the use of the said Thomas. Halmote held at Langchestre 28th Nov., 6th year of sd. Bp. Burnhopp Hampscels. Robert Emereson, Collector. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 26th March, 6th year of sd. Bp. Stanhope. Roulland Emreson and John Emreson, sureties for Alex. Lye. Halmote held there, 18th March, 7th year of said Bp. Wolsingham. George Emreson, surety for William Grenwell Halmote held at Wolsingham, 11th Nov., 8th year of said Bp. Stanhope. 3s. 4d. from Richard Stobbes, son and heir of Thomas Stobbes, for 1 messuage called Brounlaceplace, and another messuage called Huntrodesplace, sometime of Thomas Emreson. Wolsingham. Thomas Emreson, Collector. Halmote held at Langchestre, 12th Nov., 8th year of sd. Bp. Langchestre. Robert Emerson fined 12d. for putting too many beasts in the Foxefeld. Robert Emereson, Collector. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 10th March, 8th year of said Bp. Stanhope. 12d. from John Raket for 1 messuage and certain acres of land thereto belonging, called Rottiswallys, in Ricop, which sometime were of Robert Emereson, of Eastgate, and which Peter Colanwod and Robert Emereson have surrendered to the use of the said John. Court held at Evenwood, 13th July, 8th year of John Bp. of Durham. Evenwood. John Emereson fined 2d. for felling trees in the lord's park (? Raby Park). Halmote held at Wolsingham, 27th Oct., 9th year of sd. Bp. Wolsingham. Thomas Emryson, Collector.

No. 21. 23 Hen. VII. to 14 Hen. VIII. (1498—1508). Halmote held at Darlington, 22 July, in the 4th year of Thomas Bishop of Durham. Bondgate in Darlington. Of the relict of Robert Emerson because she did not come to the Court, 6d. The jurors present that Anthony Emerson broke into the fold of the lord and took 20 sheep; fined 20d. Halmote held at Darlington, 16th Feb., in the said 4th year of Thomas B. of Durham. Bondgate in Darlington. Robert Emerson, juror.

No. 19. 8—17 Hen. VII. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 18 July, 8 Henry VII. [1493]. The See of Durham being vacant after the death of John, Bp. of Durham. Stanhope. Ralph Emreson fined 6d. for not serving assize of ale. 13s. 4d. from Robert Emreson, son and heir of Robert Emreson, deceased, for 1 tenement and 15 acres of Exchequer land called Ravensfeld, and 1 messuage and 5 a. of Exchequer land in Neulandsyd, and for other 2 a. of Exchequer land and for 1 piece of land called Snawhopcloce, other pieces of land called Blakhousley, another piece of land called Stertriding, and another piece of land called Colmargh, which his said father had in his right. Court held at Evenwod, 23 Oct., 10 Hen. VII. [1494]. The see of Durham being vacant, after the death of John, late Bp. there. Evenwod. George Emerson, surety for Robert Herryson. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 12 Feb., in the 1st year of Richard, Bp. of Durham. Stanhope. Adam Emryson and Robert Emryson fined 6d. each for not coming to the court. Halmote held at Darlington, 10 Oct., 3rd year of said Bp. Bondgate in Darlington. The jury present that Leonard Emeryson, tenant of Robert Emeryson, did not attend upon the bailiff on the King's service. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 14 Oct., 3rd year of said Bp. Stanhope. Robert Emryson, of Langchestre, collector. Wolsingham. Thomas Emreson, kinsman and heir of Thomas Rogerley, and took of the lord the moiety of 1 messuage and 2 a. of Exchequer land. Fine 2s. 6d. John Ferror, kinsman and heir of the said Thos. Rogerley, took of the lord the other moiety of the said premises. Fine 2s. 6d. Halmote held at Langchestre, 17 Oct., 3rd year of Richard, Bp Durham. Langchestre. Robert Emreson, one of the Jurors. To this Court came Alice, wife of Robert Emryson, daur. and heir of Christopher Hardgill, and took of the lord 1 parcel of land called Malleafeld. Fine 3s. 4d. John Arnald came and surrendered his right in 1 tenement to the use of Robert Emryson. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 19 Ap., 3rd year of sd. Bp. Stanhope. Peter Emreson, tenant of the Prior of Durham, has enclosed from the waste of the lord at le Pule 3 roods of land to the land of the said Prior there. Halmote held at Langchestre, 21 Ap., 3rd year of sd. Bp. Langchestre. Robert Emereson, one of the jurors. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 5 Oct., 4th year of said Bp. Wolsingham. Thomas Emerson, collector for Grenwelsid. Halmote held there 24th Oct., 4th year of sd. Bp. Stanhope. Thomas Emereson, collector. Halmote held there 21 Feb., 5th year of sd. Bp. Stanhope. Nicholas Fethirstanehalgh fined 3s. 4d. for assault on Rowland Emreson. Halmote held at Darlington, 21 Oct., 5th year of sd. Bp. Bondgate in Darlington. Leonard Emereson, juror and collector. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 24 Oct., 5th year of said Bp. Stanhope. Hugh Emerson is a common brewer, and has sold ale against the assize. Fined 6d. Halmote held at Langchestre, 23 Oct., 5th year of said Bp. Burnhop Hampstels. To this Court came Robert Emerson and took from the lord 1 parcel of land called Kytteafeld, containing 10 a. of land some time of Robert Smyth, wherein John Stele surrenders his right to the use of the sd. Robert. Halmote held at Langchestre, 23 Oct., 5th year of Bp. Richard. Caldrowley and le Holehowse. Robert Emerson, surety for Thomas Elrington. Halmote held at Darlington, 9 March, 6th year of sd. Bp. Bondgate in Darlington. Leonard Emerson, juror. Robert Emerson and Leonard Emerson, sureties for John Ward. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 9 July, 6th year of sd. Bp. Stanhope. Alexander Fethirstanhalgh, junior, fined 3s. 4d. for an assault upon George Emerson within the Church of Stanhope. Henry Emerson fined 20d. for an assault on Robert Tod against the peace. Halmote held at Chester, 11 July, 6th year of sd. Bishop. Whikham. George Emerson, surety for Thomas Lawes. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 22nd Oct., 6th year of sd. Bp. Stanhope. Henry Emerson, surety for Ralph Henryson. Robert Emerson, Collector. Halmote held at Langchester, 5 March, 7th year of sd. Bp. Rughsyd cum Alanshels. Robert Emerson, surety for William Ridding. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 7th Oct., 7th year of sd. Bp. Stanhope. Adam Emerson, Collector. Halmote held at Darlington, 10 Oct., 8 Ric., Bishop of Durham. Bondgate Derlyngton. Leonard Emeryson, tenant of Robert Emryson, did not attend upon the bailiff in the King's business. Halmote held at Darlington, 21 Oct., in the 5th year of Richard, Bishop of Durham. Bondgate in Darlington. Leonard Emereson . . . . juror. Leonard Emereson, Coll. Halmote held at Darlington, 9 March, in the 6th year of Richard, Bishop of Durham. Bondgate in Darlyngton. Leonard Emerson, juror. Robert Emerson, surety.

No. 20. 17—22 Hen. VII. Halmote held at Darlington, 5 Feb., in the 2nd year of William, Bishop of Durham. Bondgate in Darlyngton. To this Court came Alice, late the wife of Robert Emerson, and took from the lord 2 messuages and 3 bovates of land in Bondgate in Darlington, called Toddesland, and the moiety of 1 messuage and 1 garden lying on the north part of the Clayrawe there, next the bridge of Darlington, which the said Robert, her husband, had in right: to hold to the said Alice in right of her widowhood, according to the custom of the manor, paying therefore yearly the rent accustomed, and doing to the lord and the Sheriff what is incumbent upon her, by the pledges of Leonard Emerson and Rowland Todd. And has licence to keep a tavern, and gives to the lord for the fine and licence 8s. [Translated from the Latin.] Halmote held at Darlington, 16 Aug., 22 Hen. VII. [1507]. Bondgate in Darlyngton. Leonard Emerson . . . jurors.

No. 22. 1—21 Hen. VIII., 1509. [These rolls commence about Ric. II.] Halmote held at Darlington, 18 Feb., in the 2nd year of Thomas, Archbishop of York and Bishop of Durham. Bondgate in Darlington. Thomas Emerson, juror. Halmote held at Darlington, 29 Oct., in the 2nd year of Thomas, Bishop of Durham. Bondgate in Darlyngton. To this Court came John Todd and took from the lord the moiety of 1 land, he paying the customary rent and doing to the lord and the sheriff that which is incumbent upon him by the pledges of Robert Emerson and William Rawlyng. Halmote held at Darlington, 5 Nov., in the 2nd year of Thomas, Bishop of Durham. Bondgate in Darlington. Robert Emerson, juror. Halmote held at Darlington, 26 Ap., in the 7th year of Thos., Bish. of Durham. Bondgate in Darlington. Robert Emerson, juror. To this Court came Thomas Emerson, Chaplain, son and heir of Robert Emerson, and took of the lord 2 messuages and 3 bovates of land in Bondgate called Toddisland, and the moiety of 1 messuage and 1 garden lying on the north part of the Clayrawe there next the bridge of Darlington, which the said Robert, his father, had in right while he lived; To hold to the said Thomas and his sequela in right, paying the accustomed rent and doing what was incumbent upon him by the pledge of Robert Emerson.

No. 20. 17—22 Hen. VII. Halmote held at Langchestre, 31 March, in the 1st year of William, Lord Bishop of Durham. Burnhop and Hampstels demise. Christopher Emerson came and took of the lord 1 parcel of land of the lord's waste called Herthollyns, containing 6 a. of

land. Fine 12d. Langchestre. Robert Emerson, surety for Robert Hall. Halmote held at Chestre, 1 Ap., 1st year of sd. Bp. Whikham demise. George Emerson came and took of the lord 1 parcel of waste land lying at the west end of Swalwellonyng, containing 1 a. of land. Fine 4d. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 6 July, 1st year of sd. Bp. Stanhope. Hugh Emerson keeps 1 mangy horse (equm scabiosum) within the town to the injury of his neighbours. Fine 20d. Thomas Emerson came and took of the lord 1 parcel of waste land lying at the head of Gybbesgyll, containing 6 a. of land. Fine 2s. Halmote held there 12 Oct., 2nd year of sd. Bp. Stanhope. Adam Emerson fined 6d. for unjustly prosecuting a plea of debt against William Wall. Halmote held at Langchestre, 13 Oct., 2nd year of sd. Bp. Burnhop and Hampstels. Robert Emerson, surety for Robert Raynton. Langchestre. Robert Emerson, surety for Will. Chapman. The said Chapman has licence to let a tavern to Robert Emerson for 8 years. Robert Emerson, Collector. Halmote held at Darlington, 5 Feb., 2nd yeat of sd. Bp. Bondgate in Darlington. Alice, late wife of Robert Emerson, came and took of the lord 2 messuages and 3 bovates of land in Bondgate in Darlington called Toddesland, and the moiety of 1 messuage and 1 garden lying on the north part of the Clayrawe there next the bridge of Darlington. Leonard Emerson, surety. Fine 8s. Halmote held at Darlington, 7 Oct., 3rd year of William, Bp. of Durham. Blakwell. George Emerson and Anthony Smyth, Commissioners of the King by virtue of a writ "de dedimus potestatem." Halmote held there 14 Ap., 3rd year of sd. Bp. Bondgate in Darlington. Leonard Emerson, surety for William Marshall. Halmote held there, 16 Aug., 22 Hen. VII. [1507]. Bondgate in Darlington. Leonard Emerson, juror. Halmote held there, 18 Jan., 22 Hen. VII. [1507], the see of Durham being vacant after the death of William, late Bp. there. Bondgate in Darlington. Leonard Emerson, juror. Leonard Emerson, surety for Will. Robson. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 21 Jan., 22 Hen. VII. [1507]. Stanhope. Thomas Emerson, Collector. Wolsingham. Thomas Emerson, Collector for Grenewell. Halmote held at Darlington, 26 Ap., 22 Hen. VII. Bondgate in Darlington. Leonard Emerson, juror. Leonard Emerson, surety for Stephan Bland. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 29 Ap., 22 Hen. VII. Stanhope. Robert Emerson, of Estyat, fined 6d. for not coming to Court. Rowland Emerson, son and heir of Adam Emerson, took of the lord all the tenure of 20 a. of land and of 2 a. of land and meadow lying at Rukehop, which the sd. Adam held. Fine ?s.

Bundle 21. 23 H. VII. to 14 H. VIII. (550 pp.). At halmote at Wolsingham, 21 Oct., 23 Hen. VII. Stanehop. Roland Emerson, Collector. Bedburne. 34 sheep lodged by Antonius Emerson in an enclosure belonging to the lord. At halmote at Wolsingham, 19th July, 1st year of Bp. Christopher [Baynbridge], 1507. Stanehop. Thomas Emerson, of Wilton, pays 6d. for his customary due, and also surety on a lease. Robert Emerson, of Estyate, ditto. Wolsingham. Thomas Emerson for ditto, 6d. twice. At halmote at Chester [le-Street], 21 July same year. Chester. Johanna Emerson, daughter of Isabella Eskyrk, took the lease of ½ a close called "le morecloce," and 5 a. l. with one cottage, her mother surrendering the same. At halmote at Wolsingham, 12th Oct. same year. Stanehop. Robert Emerson, of Estyate, pays 6d. for customary due twice. Proclamation is made for the next heir of Thomas Emerson to come and fine for a close called Newemedowe. Thomas Emerson, senior, pays 6d. for cust. due. Wolsingham. Thomas Emerson fined for not coming to court, and pays 6d. for cust. due. At halmote at Wolsingham, 28th Feb., 24 Hen. VII. Stanehop. Robert Emerson, of Estyate, and Thomas Emerson, senr., each paid 6d. for cust. due. Proclamation made a 2nd time for heir of Thos. Emerson. At halmote at Wolsingham, 16th Aug., 2nd* year of Bp. Thomas [Ruthall]. Stanehop. Robert Emereson came to the Court and took, as son and heir of Thos. Emereson, a parcel of land called Newemedowe, lying on Newlandsyde, contg. 6 a. l., held by said Thomas, whilst he lived, at 1s. ann. rent, etc. Sureties—Robert Emereson, of Estyate, and Peter Colynwood. * ? Bound up before 1st year. It is headed—Third Court, and then follow the 1st and 2nd courts. At halmote at Wolsingham, 28 Nov., 1st year of Bp. Thomas. Stanehop. Thos. Emerson, senr., pays 6d. for cust. due. Wolsingham Antonius Emerson assaulted one Hogeson. At halmote at Wolsingham, 25th April, 1st year of Bp. Thomas. Stanehop. Thos. Emerson, senr., as above. Robert Emerson, of Estyate, surety on a lease. At halmote at Chester, 27th of April same year. Chester. George Emerson, of Swalwels, took from the lord lease of a cottage with garden, in which Margaret Stanehop surrendered her rights, at 1s. annual rent, etc. Sureties—Robert Bille and Simon Emerson. At halmote at Wolsingham, 5 Dec., 2nd year of Bp. Thomas. Stanehop. Robert Emerson, of Estyate, for cust. due, 6d. Collectors are elected, viz., Richard Robynson and ux. [wife of] Roland Emerson. At halmote at Aukland, 13th of March, 2nd year of Bp. Thomas. Heghyngton. Wm. Emerson fined for assault and drawing blood from Wm. Heghyngton. Rd. Alewod assaulted Wm. Emerson. At Stanhop, 15th March, 2nd year of Bp. Thomas. Thos. Emerson, senr., pays 6d. customary due. At Stanhop, 8th Nov., 3rd year. Robert Emerson, of Estyate, for ditto 6d. At halmote at Chester [le-Street], 11th Nov. same year. Ryton. John Joplyn took a lease of one tent. and 24 a. land in the town and territory of Ryton, their rights in which were surrendered by Margaret Joplyn, wife of sd. John, Elizabeth, wife of Humphrey Emerson, Johanna Carr and Alice Hogeson, as daurs. and heirs of John Merley. At halmote at Wolsingham, 15th Feb. same year. Stanehop. Robert Emerson again pays 6d. Richard Emerson, of Ireshopburne mowth, in the Forest of Wardell, assaulted Wm. Ledbeter. Simon Emerson is surety on a lease at Chester [le-Street] on the 1st of the follg. March. At Stanehop, 14th July, 4th year of Bp. Thomas. Robert Emerson and the heirs of Thomas Emerson pay severally 6d. At Wolsingham, at the same date, Thomas Emerson pays 6d. At halmote at Langchester, 15th of the same month. Burnhope hamstell. Christopher Emerson fined for not coming to court. At halmote at Houghton, 16th of same month. Tunstall. Richard Gatehirde fined for insulting Johanna Emerson. At Chester-le-Street, on the 17th ditto. Agnes Emerson pays 6d. At Stanhoupe. Robert Emerson was elected Collector, 25th February, 4th year of Bp. Thomas, and again 23rd March, follg. year. At halmote at Chestre [le-Street], 22nd of March, 5th year of Bp. Thomas. Whikhm. George Emerson, of Swallwells, took lease of a cottage and close called Adamcloce in Whikham, paying a fine of 10s. At Stanhopp, 9th Nov., 6th year of Bp. Thomas. Thomas Emerson was elected Collector. At halmote at Wolsingham, 27th Feb., 6th year of Bp. Thomas. Stanhopp. Rolland Emerson, son and heir of Adam Emerson, surrenders his late father's holding of 20 a. l. and 2 a. l. and meadow. Bedburne. Robert Hogeson and Anthony Emerson are fined for fighting. At halmote at Chester [le-Street], 29th June, 7th year of Bp. Thomas. Whikham. George Emerson, of Swalwells, took a lease of 4 a. of Checkerland, surrendered by John Athe, paying 2s. fine thereon. At halmote at Wolsingham, 31st May, 8th year of Bp. Thomas. Wolsingham. Christopher Emerson, son and heir of Thomas Emerson, who was kinsman and 2nd heir of Thomas Rogerley, took a lease of ½ a mess. and 2 a. Checkerland, in which his said father surrendered his rights, paying thereon 2s. 6d. Also another lease, likewise surrendered by his father, of ½ a mess. [No. of acres not specified] of Checkerland and 20 acres of "husband" land and half a cottage with a croft called Crampishous, paying thereon 6s 8d. At halmote at Walsingham, 23rd Oct., 9th year of Bp. Thomas. Stanhoupe. Robert Emerson fined for non-attendance. At halmote at Walsingham, 9th May, 10th year of Bp. Thomas. Stanhoupe. The heirs of Thos. Emerson are fined for non-appearance. Nicholas Westwod fined for an assault on George Emerson. Robert Emerson fined. At halmote at Chester [le-Street], 11th May same year. Ryton. Agnes, late wife of George Emerson, took lease of a cottage and close called Aydencloce, which her late husband held, paying thereon 13s. 4d. Sureties—Richard and Nicholas Herrison. Chestre. Also a lease of a cottage and garden held by her late husband, fine 2s. Sureties—Robert Hedworth and Robert Hagthorp. At halmote at Walsingham, 17th Oct., 11th year of Bp. Thomas. Stanhoup. Alice, late wife of Robert Emerson, took lease of a tent. and 15 a. Checkerland called Ravynsfeld, and 1 mess. and 5 a. Checkerland in Newlandside, and 2 other a. of land, and 1 piece of land called Snawhoupcloce, and another piece of land, and another piece of land called Blakhousley, and a piece of land called Stertrydinge, and a piece called Collmarshe, held by her late husband, paying fine thereon 20s. Sureties—John Fethirstanehall and William Stobbis. Thomas Emerson, son and heir of Richard Emerson, son and heir of Agnes, one of the sisters and heirs of Adam Rogerley, took lease of ½ a piece of land called Bowdelleys, contg. 11½ acres, which the aforesd. Adam held, paying fine thereon 5s. At halmote at Chester [le-Street], 6th Oct., 11th year of Bp. Thomas. Whykhm. Agnes, late wife of George Emerson, took a lease of 4 a. Checkerland, held by her late husband, paying fine thereon of 2s. Sureties—Richard Hedworth and Thos. Blenkynsopp. At Stanhoupe, 30th April same year. William Emerson fined. At halmote at Langchester, 24th March, 12th Bp. Thomas. Burnhoupe and Hamstelle. Thomas Emerson, Chaplain, brother and heir of Christopher Emerson, decd., took lease of one close called hertholyn, and another parcel called kittisfeld, held by his late brother, on which he paid

12d. fine. At halmote at Wolsingham, 25th of same month. Stanhoupe. Robert Emerson pays customary 6d. George, Ralph and William Emerson are fined for insulting George Westwod. Wolsingham. Thomas Emerson fined for non-attendance. At Whikham, 18th March, 13th year of Bp. Thomas. Ralf Emerson fined for assault. Ralf Emerson, son and heir of George Emerson, took lease of 4 a. Chekerland, lately held by his father, and also a close called Aydencloce, paying fine thereon 12s. At Chestre, same date, he takes lease of a cottage and garden, held by his late father, paying 2s. thereon. At Stanehop, 10th July same year. Robert Emerson fined for non-appearance. At Whikham, 21st Oct., 14th year of Bp. Thomas. Robert Emerson is fined.

Vol. 22, 15—21 Hen. VIII. (86 mems.). At halmote at Chester [le-Street], 3rd July, 1st year of Bp. Cardinal Thomas [Wolsey], 1528. Whikhame. Ralf Emerson mentioned. At halmote at Middleham, in the same month. Esyngton. Ralf Emerson fined 6d. At halmote at Stanehoupe, 22nd Feb., 2nd year. Robert Emerson, Collector for that place. At the same place, 19th of the following October. Robert Emerson fined for non-appearance, though he was surety on all the leases granted. William Emerson, of Horsleyburne, fined for keeping a hare warren contrary to statute. At Bedburne, at the same halmote. Anthony Emerson fined for assault. At Wolsingham. John Ferror fined for assault on Anthony Emerson. At Whikham, 20th Sept., 3rd year of Bp. Cardinal Wolsey. Ralf Emerson fined for breaking into an enclosure. At Stanhope, 28th April, 4th year. William Emerson fined for cutting down a tree. At halmote at Wolsingham, 13th Nov., 4th year. Wolsingham. George Emerson, brother and heir of Robert Emerson, takes lease of 1 tent. and 15 a. l. called Ravynsfeld, 1 mess. and 2 a. Checkerland, a parcel of land called Snawhopcloce, another called Blakhousley, another called Stertryding and another called Collmanrigh, formerly held by Robert Emerson, grandfather of the said George. At halmote at Wolsingham, 21st Oct., 6th year of Bp. Cl. Wolsey. Stanhoupe. Christopher Emerson pays 6d. customary due. Roland Emerson fined for assault. At halmote at Wolsingham, 28th April, 7th year. Stanhoupe. Christopher Emerson, Collector. George Emerson, brother and heir of Robert Emerson, took lease of a mess. and 5 a. Checkerland in Newlandsyde, in which Wm. Hoton surrendered his rights, paying 10s. fine thereon.

Vol. 23. 21—29, 31—38 Hen. VIII., 1 Edw. VI. to 1 Eliz. (519 mems.) At halmote at Langchester, 11th May, 1st year of Bp. Cuthbert [Tunstall]. Langchestre. Thomas Emerson, chaplain, son and heir of Alice, late wife of Robert Emerson, took a parcel of land called Mawisfeld, held by late Alice E. Sureties:—Robert Emerson and Robert Fletchor. (Thos. Emerson surrendered this land 31st of May following.) At halmote at Darlington, 8th Oct., same year. Cokerton. Robert Emerson fined for trespass. At halmote at Wolsyngham, 5th June, 2nd year. Stanehoupe. George Emerson pays customary 6d. (and again in follg. Oct.). Robert Emerson, of Darlington, takes lease of the holding of Alexander Brandispeth, in which Thomas Emerson, chaplain, resigns all his rights, and Robert demises the sd. premises to sd. Thomas for the term of his life, no rent to be paid thereon; and further the said Robert and Thomas demise to Richard Fethirstanehalh their tent. called Newlandsyde, where the sd. Robert now dwells, for the life of sd. Richard, paying thereon the farm rent to the lord and to the tenants thereof. Fine, 26s. 8d. At halmote at Langchester, 20th of Oct., 2nd year. Burnhoupe and Hamstell. Robert Emerson takes a lease of a close called Hertesholyner, and another parcel called Kythsfeld, Thomas Emerson, chaplain, surrendering his rights therein—20d. Sureties:—Robert Fletchor and John Marshall. At Stanhoupe, 8th May, 3rd year. George Emerson pays cust. 6d. Robert Emerson, of Darlington, is collector for Stanhope. At halmote at Wolsingham, 24th May, 4th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Stanehope. Roland Emerson fined for assault; and again for transgression on 9th of Oct. follg. At halmote at Darlington, 15th Oct., same year. Cokerton. Leonard Emerson fined for trespass on pasture. At Stanehoupe, 26th Sept., 5th year. Robert Emerson "de Forest," fined for assault. At Stanehoupe, 26th April, 6th year. Christopher Emerson, son and heir of Thomas Emerson, took lease of a parcel of land called Bowdelleys, contg. 11½ a. l., held by his late father, paying thereon 6s. 8d. fine. At Cokerton, 8th Oct., same year. Leonard Emerson fined for ploughing the common balks; and for making a gate at the back of his garden wall, to the grave damage of his neighbours. He was fined again in the follg. Oct. At Stanehoup, 13th Oct., same year. Richard Emerson fined for a transgression. At Stanehoup, 12th Oct., 7th year. Roland Emerson, of Powhous, fined for assault. At halmote at Aukland, 24th Oct., 8th year. Heghington. Thos. Emerson fined for assault. At Stanehoupe, 30th of May, 8th year. Richard Emerson fined for assault. At Bedburne, same date, John Emerson fined for assault. At Cokerton, 5th June, 8th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Leonard Emerson fined for trespass, and again on the 12th of March, follg. At Chester [le Street], 18th March, same year. John Birde, and Johanna, his wife, daughter of Joan Emerson, surrender her right to ½ a close called the morecloce, contg. 5 a. of land. At halmote at Wolsingham, 14th May, 11th year. Wolsingham. Johanna Emerson, wife of Ralph Emerson, took leave of a parcel of land 9 ells long and 1 ell broad, surrendered to use of sd. Johanna and her heirs by Thomas Bukyll, son and h. of Anthony B., paying thereon 12d. At halmote at Wolsingham, 5th Nov., same year. Stanehoupe. Christopher Emerson fined for non-attendance. Roland Emerson fined for assault. At halmote at Chester [le Street], 8th June, 12th year. Whikham. John Hall, son of Ralph Hall, of Merlehills, decd., took (*inter alia*) lease of 4 a. Checkerland and a close called Aydencloce, in Whikham, held by Ralph Emerson, of Swalwelles, to himself and his heirs, which had reverted into the hands of the Bishop through the murder of one Thos. Hall by sd. Ralph, for which sd. Ralph was tried, and found to have killed him in self-defence, by the Justices at the Durham Gaol Delivery, which lands Ralph Hall, father of John, bot. of the bishop. At Wolsingham, 15th June, same year. Anthony Emerson is among those fined for brewing strong drink contrary to the assize. At Stanehoupe, 17th Nov., 12th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Roland Emerson fined for assault. At Wolsingham, 18th year (June). Robert Emerson fined for taking his grain from the lord's mill to be ground elsewhere. At Chester [le Street], 15th Dec., 13th year. John Hall took lease of a cottage and garden formerly held by Ralph Emerson, of Swallwelles, and fallen in by reason of his killing T. Hall, as above. At Stanhoup, 10th April, 14th year. Roland Emerson fined for assault. George Emerson, brother and heir of Robert Emerson, took lease of a parcel of land lying at the head of Gibbishill, contg. 6 a. l., which his brother had formerly held, paying 2s. thereon. At the same place George Emerson is surety on a lease, 17th of October following. At Wolsingham, 17th Oct., 14th year. Ralph Emerson fined for putting his horse in a ploughed field. At halmote at Darlington, 20th Oct., 14th year. Cokerton. Leonard Emerson fined for not doing his share of work in a ditch between Whessoo and Cokerton; and again on May 6th, 15th year, and again the follg. Oct. At halmote at Wolsingham, 9th May, 15th year. Stanehoup. Robert Emerson, of Darlington, demised to John Fetherstanhalh a tent. now inhabited by Richard F. and 20 a. of land. Lynesake. Alice Dukett, one of the daughters and heirs of Thomas Dukett, took lease of a close held by her late father, in which John Emerson and Agnes, his wife, one of the daurs. and heirs of sd. Thomas Dukett, and Elizabeth Dukett, widow, and Isabella Dukett, the other 3 daurs. and heirs of sd. Thos., surrendered their rights. Sureties:—Wm. Dukett and John Hopeson. 6d. fine. At halmote at Wolsingham, 14th Oct., 15th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Lynesake. John Emerson fined for digging for stone belonging to the lord, without licence. At Stanhoupe, 4th Nov., 16th year. Roland Emerson fined for trespass, and on the 25th of May, 17th year, for assault. Wolsingham, same date. Robert Emerson, of the Morehouse, close to Overtowne, near Wolsingham, took lease of a close called Morewastes, another called Esterwastes, and others called Whitecloce and Jamyscloce, in which Nicholas Herrison, of Wolsingham, surrendered his rights. Fine 10s. At Cokerton, 13th Oct., 17th year. Leonard Emerson fined for not keeping up his fences, etc. At Whikham, 27th Oct., 18th year. Roland Emerson fined, among others, for carrying away their neighbours' fences. At Stanehoup George Gray fined for an assault on Roland Emerson, 5th Dec., 18th year. At Wolsingham, same date. Bartram Robynson demises to Wm. Tomson, Richard Emerson and John Robynson his holding at Rukhoupe, for term of 12 years. At Court held at Evenwood, 2nd May, 19th year. Wm. Emerson fined for not having come to terms with Thomas Androson, nor having paid him; and again on the 24th of the following Oct., and again 15th May, 20th year. At Stanhoupe, 19 Nov., 19th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Roland Emerson fined for assault. Thomas Phillipp and Margaret his wife, sister and heir of George Emerson, took lease of a mess. and 5 a. Checkerland in Newlandsyde, and a mess. and 15 a. Checkerland called Ravynsfeld, a mess. and 2 a. Checkerland, a piece of land called Snawhoupcloce and others called Blakhousley and Colmanrigh, and one lying at the head of Gibbishill, all wh. her late brother held; fine thereon 25s. 4d. At Cokerton, 16th May, 20th year. Leo-

nard Emerson fined for not keeping up his fences and for assault, and for the first again 8th May follg. Robert Emerson fined for cutting thorns. At Stanehoupe, 22nd Sept., 21st year. Thomas Emerson fined for assault. Blakwell. The tent. of Robert Emerson mentioned, 25th Sept., 21st year. At halmote at Langchestre, 17th Oct., 21st year. Burnhoupe and Hamstell. Robert Emerson, of Darlington, fined for non-attendance. At Cokerton, 12th May, 22nd year. Leonard Emerson pays the cust. 6d. At Chestre [le-Street], 19th April, 7 Edw. VI. William Birde, son and heir of Johanna Emerson, took lease of ½ a cottage and ½ a. l., held by his late mother, paying thereon 12d. fine. At Cokerton, 26th April same year. Leonard Emerson fined for not repairing fences, etc. At Stanhoup, 18th Oct., 24th year of Bp. Cuthbert. Thomas Blakett fined for assault on Thomas Emerson. At Cokerton, 25th of same month. Leonard Emerson fined for not maintaining his ditches at Newcloce and other places, etc. At Whikhame, 30th Nov. same year. The widow Emerson fined among others for not having her grain ground at the Lord's mill. At Stanhoupe, 12th July, 25th year. Robert Emerson fined for not removing from the tent. of George Stobbes. At Wolsingham, 21st May, 26th year. Christopher Emerson, Collector. At Stanhoupe, 8th Sept. same year. Roland Emerson fined for an assault on Margt. Bowman. He is said to have taken possession of a parcel of land called the "Holehouse," in right of Johanna Colynwood, one of the ds. and hs. of Thomas Colynwod, without the Seneschel's licence. At Stanhoupe, 22nd April, 27th year. Richard Emerson fined for assault on Thos. Emerson. Christopher Emerson, Collector. At Langchestre, 4th May, 28th year. Robert Emarson demises to Wm. Hogeson 2 closes called Kittiafeilde and Hartishollyng, for 7 years, at annual rent of 6s. 8d. At Staynhopp, 12th May, 28th year of Bp. Cuthbert. William Emarson, of Esshe (Lanchester par.), fined for assault on George Stobbes, and again on the following 15th of Nov. At Brome-cum-Flasche, 22nd April, 29th year. Ralph Emerson and Lionel Emerson fined for assault on John Lawson (Durham City). At Stanhoppe, 27th Sept. same year (halmote at Lanchester). Thos. Blakett and Wm. Emerson, of Southside, fined for reciprocal assaults. Richard Emerson and Thos. Emerson for ditto. At Brewme-cu.-flashe (*sic*). Wm. Emerson fined for enclosed 3 acres of waste land belonging to the lord. At Stanhopp, 1st May, 30th year. Margery Emerson, relict of Robert Emerson, of Darlington, took lease of the holding, formerly her husband's and theretofore held by Alexander Brancepeth. At Bishopley, same date. Chr-stopher Emerson demises to Ralph and Thos. Ayre 10 a. l. in Wulsingham for term of 7 years.

No. 24. 2—29 Elizabeth (1580—1587), 532 mems. At halmote at Wolsingham, 19th June, 2 Elizabeth. Wulsingham. Robert Emerson, collector for grynwelside. At Stanhopp, 24th Oct., same year. Robert Emarson fined for cutting down a tree on the land of John Stobbes [there are 2 copies for this Court]. Both Roland and Robert Emarson, sureties on leases. Robert Emarson, son and h. of Christopher Emarson, took lease of ½ a parcel of l. called Bawddeleys, contg. 11½ acres, lately held by his late father, and in which Johanna Emarson, relict of sd. Christopher, surrenders her right. And aforesd. Thomas* (*sic*) Emarson demises it to his mother for her life. (* *sic* in both copies.) At Wulsingham, same date (1560). Ralph† Emarson, s. and h. of Christopher E., takes lease of ½ mess. and ½ 2 a. l., held by his late father, Johanna surrendering as above; and the sd. Robert (*sic*) Emarson demises it as above. Robert Emarson, s. and h. of Christopher E., takes ½ mess. Checkerland (*sic*), and ½ 20 a. arable land, and ½ cottage with a croft called Crampishowes. Johanna surrendering as above; sd. Robert demises as above. † In 2nd copy, Robert. At halmote at Langchestre, 18th May, 4 Elizabeth. Burnhopp and Hamstell. Margery Emarson, relict of Robert Emarson. takes lease of a close called Hartishollyng, and a parcel of land called Kyttisfield. held by her late husband, paying thereon 20d. fine. At Stanhop, 30th April, 5 Elizabeth. Wm. Hogeson demised to William Emerson, 3 a. l. lying W. of Craynehawe, with appurts. in Lynesakke, for 10 years, paying only the farm rent to the lord. At Bedburne, 30th April, 5 Elizabeth. Peter Walton demised to William Emerson ½ a mess. and ½ 10 a. l. near Carisley, for 10 years, paying only farm rent to the lord. At Grenwelside,* same date, Robert Emerson fined for non-appearance. (* Part of Wulsingham.) At Stanhoppe, 14th Oct., 5 Elizabeth. John Emerson and William Blakkett fined for reciprocal assault. John Emerson fined again for assault on John Chapman, 13th April, 6 Elizabeth. On that day proclamation made for the heirs of Robert Emerson; Robert Emerson, son of Leonard Emerson, seeks to be admitted. At Stanhoppe, 14th Sept., 6th Elizabeth. Lionel Emerson and Matthew Little fined for reciprocal assault. Roland Emerson, of Powe House, fined for assault. At Burnhop cum Hamsteles, 15 Sept., 6 Eliz. Robert Emerson, kinsman and heir of Robert Emerson, viz., s. and h. of Leonard Emerson, who was s. and h. of sd. Robert, took lease of a close called Hartishollyngs, and another parcel called Kittisfield, held by sd. late Robert; fine thereon, 20d. He resigns his right therein to Rd. Burhopp. At Stanhopp, 10 May, 7 Eliz., Robert Emerson demised to Nich. Maddyson ½ parcel of land called Bewdeleys, for 21 yrs., at rent of 4s. (Nich. Maddyson took a lease of it from the lord, 7 May, 10 Eliz.). At Wulsingham, same date, Robert Emerson, grandson and h. of Robert Emerson, of Darlington, took holding (lately belonging to Alexr. Brancepeth) which his late grandfather held. 26s. 8d. fine. At Stanhope, 25th Oct., 7 Elizabeth. George Emerson, of Powe, fined for assault. Robert Emerson, son of Leonard, son of Robert, took lease of holding (formerly belonging to Alexr. Brandispethe), which his late grandfather had held. 26s. 8d. fine. At halmote at Darlington, 28th Oct., 7 Eliz. Hartburne. John Baitmansom fined for assault on Robt. Emerson. At Stanhopp, John Emerson, of Neytherhorsley, fined for assault, 2 May, 8 Elizabeth, 1566. At Stanhopp, 10th Oct., 8 Eliz. Robert Emerson fined for non-attendance; and also at Bishopley, same date. At Stanhopp, 19th April, 9 Elizabeth. Roland Emerson fined for 2 separate assaults on Rd. Wall. At Wolsingham, same date. Ralph* Emerson, son and heir of Johanna Emerson, took lease of a parcel of land 9 ells by 8 ells, which his late mother held, paying 12d. fine. (* Robert.) At Stanhopp, 10th Oct., 9 Elizabeth. Roland Emerson and George Emerson fined for assaulting Richard Wall; and John and George Emerson for ditto. At halmote at Aukland, 27th Oct., 9 Elizabeth. Byers. Humphrey Emerson fined for overburdening the common. At Stanhopp, 7th May, 10 Eliz. Robert Emerson on jury; and again 28th of follg. Oct. Lionel Emerson fined for assault. George Stobbes fined for assault on William Emerson. At Lynesakke, 7 May, 10 Eliz. Matilda Emerson took lease of a close contg. 3 roods, in which Alice Dukett surrendered her rights, paying 6d. fine, and demising it to said Alice for her life. At halmote at Darlington, 20th Sept., 10 Eliz. Haughton. Michael Waistell fined for assault on John Emerson. At halmote at Wulsingham, 30th April, 11 Eliz. Robert Emerson on the jury for Stanhopp; and again 11th of follg. Oct. At halmote at Haughton, 26th Oct., 11th Elizabeth. Harrington. Robert Emerson fined for 2 assaults. At Stanhope, 3rd April, 12 Elizabeth. Rolland Emerson and George Emerson fined for reciprocal assaults; and George fined for ditto again on 19 June, 13 Eliz. At Lynesakke, same date, Matilda Emerson fined for owing suit. At Blakwell (Darlington), 5th May, 12 Eliz. John Emerson, clerk, fined for not keeping up his fences. At Staunopp, 17th Oct., 13 Elizabeth. Rowland Emerson and John Emerson fined for assault. Halmote at Aukland, 17th May, 14 Eliz. Humphrey Emerson, Collector for Byers. At Wolsyngham, 21st May, 14 Eliz. Ralph Emerson surrendered his right in a piece of land, 9 ells by 8 ells, in favour of John Jopling. At Stanhopp, 23 Sept., 14 Eliz. George Emerson, fined for assault. At the same halmote the governors of Ryvington als. Rovington Grammar Sch. (Co. Lanc.), took lease of a parcel of land called Ludgefield, contg. 2 a. in the Forest of Wardell near Blackdene, then or lately in the occupation of George Emerson. At halmote at Chester [le Street], 15th April, 15th Eliz. Whikham. Roland Emerson fined for ploughing wrongfully. At Stanhop, 20th of same month. Robert Emerson, Collector. Memd. that on the 26th Sept., 14 Eliz., Robert Emerson came before the Seneschal at Durham, and demised to Henry Emerson, his brother, a tent. and 15 a. l. in "Shutlehopp feldes," and a tent. in tenure of widow Jakson, and 2 closes called the "furth" and the "white acre," for term of Henry's life, paying 18s. rent, besides the farm rent to the lord. At Stanhop, 10th Oct., 15 Elizabeth. John Emerson fined for assault. At Stanhop, 16th Sept., 16 Elizabeth. Henry Emerson fined for assault. Robert Chapman fined for assault on Ralph Emerson. At halmote at Wolsingham, 7th April, 17 Eliz. Lynesacke. Matilda Emerson fined for omission of suit of court. Stanhoppe. Henry Emerson on Jury. At halmote at Wolsingham, 11th May, 18 Elizabeth. Bedbornea. Cuthbert Emerson took lease of a close called More Wastes, and others called Ester Wastes, Wheteclose and James Close, in which Robert Emerson, his father, surrendered his right at 1s. ann. rent; and Cuthbert demised them to Robert for the term of his life. At Stanhope, 18th Sept., 18 Elizabeth. Henry Emerson fined for felling timber. At halmote at Chester [le Street], 28 Sept., 18 Eliz. George Emerson fined. At Stanhopp, 3rd May, 20 Eliz. Robert Emerson fined for non-appearance; and for encroaching on waste land. At Bishopley, 14th Oct., 20 Eliz. John Emerson pays 1d.,

the customary due for "the staggarthe." At Wolsingham, 7 May, 21 Eliz. Cuthbert Emerson, one of the Collectors. At Stanhopp, 3rd Nov., 22 Eliz. George Emerson and Robert Emerson on the Jury. Robert Emerson, of Darlington, demised to Robert Chapman a cottage and yard, and 17 a. l., a close of past. land called the Shitlopeclose, lying on the E. side of the Shitleyburne, for 21 years, paying 8s. rent beyond the farm rent to the lord. At Stanhop, 1st June, 23 Eliz. George Emerson on Jury. At Wolsingham, same date. Arthur Emerson on Jury. At Stanhop, 28 April, 24 Eliz. George Emerson on the Jury. Robert Emerson demised to James Ray a parcel of land called Cathingdaile, lying in the Spowle daile, contg. 2 a., for 13 years. At Wulsingham, same date. Robert Emerson demised to Ralph Aire 10 a. l. for 21 years, paying 5d. ann. rent, besides the farm rent to the lord. At Stanhop, 11 Oct., 24 Eliz. George Emerson on jury. At Chester [le Street], 13th April, 25 Eliz. Brian Gelson demised to Ralph Emerson and Richard Wrangham ½ of 3 closes, parcel of a cottage called Morley head and 1 a. l. for 18 years, paying 6d. ann. rent beyond the farm rent to the lord. At Stanhoppe, 20th April, 25 Eliz. George Emerson on Jury, and again on the 6th of Oct. same year. At Wolsingham, same date, Robert Emerson, Collector. At Stanhopp, 6th Oct., 25 Eliz. Robert Emerson surrendered his rights to a parcel of land called Cathingdale, lying in Sperot dale, to James Raye. At Stannhopp, 26th Sept. 26 Eliz. George Emmerson on Jury. At Stannhopp, 9th June, 27 Eliz. Robert Emerson surrendered his rights in a mess. and 14 a. l. near Crawley Cotelodge, and ½ a. close there, contg. 1 a., to Leonard Little. On the same day, viz., 9 June, 27 Eliz. (Stanhope), Robert Emerson demised to William Watson a mess. and yard, then occupied by Nich. Tweddell, with the bakehouse, etc., and closes called the Frithe and Whites close, contg. 5 acres, late in tenure of Robert Chapman, for 21 years, at 40s. ann. rent, besides the farm rent to the lord. At Wolsingham, 6th Oct., 28 Eliz. Cuthbert Emerson, on the Jury. At Stanhopp, 26 July, 29 Eliz. George Emerson, foreman of Jury; and a member, on the following 9 Oct.

Bundle 25. 27—41 Eliz. [1585—1595]. (370 mems.) At halmote at Wolsingham, 3rd May, 30 Eliz. Stanhopp. George Emerson on Jury; and again 13th Oct., 31 Eliz. Robert Emerson demised to Thos. Ray and John Joplinge, the holding called the Newlandsid, formerly held by Alexander Brauncepeth; for 6 years, paying only the rent due to the lord. At halmote at Aukland, 4th June, 31 Eliz. Byersgrene. Thomas Emerson, Collector. At Stanhopp, 5th June, 31 Eliz. Robert Emerson, Collector. At Stanhopp, 14th Sept., 32 Eliz. George Emerson on Jury, and again 24th March, 33 Eliz. Robert Emerson surrendered his rights in the property above described in favour of Roland Johnson. At [Wolsingham], 24 March, 33 Eliz. Robert Emerson, Michael Ayer, Thomas Craggs and Christabel his wife, resigned their rights in ½ a close called the dodismelpighell, a rood of land called the mulnedile and another piece lying within the boundaries of one Robert Colson, of the Overtowne, in favour of Arthur Reynoldson. At Stanhopp, 13th Sept., 33 Eliz. George Emerson, senior, foreman of Jury, and again 15th March, 34 Eliz. At Wulsingham, same date. Robert Emerson surrendered his rights to ½ of 20 a. of husbandland in favour of George Hocheson. At Wulsingham, 15th March, 34 Eliz. Proclamation made for the heirs of Cuthbert Emerson, and again on the following 4th of October. At Stanhopp, 4th Oct., 34 Elizabeth. John Emerson fined for assault. At Stanhopp, 9th May, 35 Eliz. George Emerson on Jury and also fined for assault. At Wolsingham, same date. Isabella Emerson, widow of Cuthbert Emerson, decd., took lease of closes called moorewaistes, Easterwaists, Whetcloase and James close, held by her late husband, paying 10s. fine thereon. At Stanhopp, 25th Oct., 35 Eliz. George Emerson, foreman of Jury. Thomas Emerson took lease of a holding, formerly Alexander Brancepethe's, in which Robert Emerson resigned his rights (the holding not described). Katherine, now wife of Brian Emerson, one of the daurs. and coheirs of Wm. Phillipp, decd.; and Margaret, now wife of Wm. Emerson, another of the daughters; and Elizabeth, now wife of Robert Gibson, the third daughter; took lease of 3 parts of a mess. and 5 a. l., to be divided in 4 parts, and a parcel called Blackhouslee and Colmanright, and 3 pts. of ½ of ½ a parcel called Cowdells, etc., lately held by sd. William Phillipp, Alison, his widow, having surrendered her rights therein and receiving in return a lease thereof for the term of her life. Brian Emerson and Katherine his wife, at the same halmote, took 2 leases of other parts of the same property and of 2 pts. of a close called Snawhopclose, now or late in the tenure of John Phillipp. At halmote at Wolsingham, 5 April, 36 Elizabeth. Stanhopp. George Emerson on Jury (and again 24th Oct. following). Thomas Emerson surrendered his rights in a mess., etc., and 2 closes called the Firthe and Whites Close, formerly in tenure of Alexander Brauncepeth, in favour of William Watson; and also in Seavye Close, lying under Shitlehopp Cragg, and a rood of meadow land abutting on the S. side of the sd. close, formerly in tenure of Alexander Brauncepeth, in favour of Guy Collinge. At Stanhopp, 11th June, 37 Elizabeth. George Emerson, foreman of Jury. Brian Emerson, Collector. Thomas Emerson fined 6d. At Stanhop, 13th Oct., 3 [7] Eliz. George Emerson on Jury (and again 18th May, 38 Eliz., and again 29th Oct., 38 Eliz.). Brian Emerson fined for incroachment at Newlandsyde, and also for exchanging land with Ralph Maddyson in Shitlehopfield without licence. At Lynsacke, 29th Oct., 38 Elizabeth. William Walton, s. and h. of Matilda Emerson, decd., took lease of a close contg. 3 roods, formerly held by his mother. At Wolsyngham, same date. Bartholomew Emerson and Alice his wife, formerly widow of John Chapman, demised to Jane and Margaret Chapman a mess., etc., formerly held by John Wilkinson, during the life of said Alice. At Stanhopp, 12th April, 39 Eliz. William Emerson, of Stotfoldburne, fined for cutting timber. At Stanhopp, 3 Oct., 39 Eliz. George Emerson, bailiff. At Stanhopp, 3rd June, 40 Eliz. George Emmerson on Jury (and again 13th Oct., 40 Eliz., and again 9 March, 41 Eliz.). Thomas Emerson surrendered his rights in the Shitlehopclose, etc, in favour of Ralph Maddyson. At Lynsacke, same date. The jury report Henry Emerson has cut down a tree belonging to the lord. At halmote at Aukland, 5 May, 41 Eliz. Heighington. John Emmerson fined for an assault made on the pindar by his wife and son. At Stanhopp, 9 March, 41 Eliz. Ralph Maddyson fined for occupying the customary land of Brian Emerson without licence. Brian Emmerson took lease of ½ part of the property described under date 25 Oct., 35 Eliz., Francis Hulthropp and Anna, his wife, surrendering their rights in the same. At Stanhopp, 15 Oct, 41 Eliz. George Emmerson on Jury.

Bundle 26. 42 Eliz. to 9 Jas. I. At Stanhopp, 28th April, 42 Elizabeth. George Emmerson, foreman of Jury (and again 14th Oct. follg., and again 22 Apr., 43 Eliz.). At Stanhopp, 22 April, 43 Elizabeth. Brian Emerson, Collector. At Stanhopp, 20 Oct., 43 Eliz. George Emmerson, foreman of Jury and Bailiff. Wm. Collingwoode fined for an assault on the widow Emmerson. At Stanhopp, 28 April, 44 Elizabeth. George Emmerson on Jury (and again 12 Oct. follg., and 24 May, 1 Jas. I.). Robert Emmerson fined for assault. At Stanhopp, 12 Oct., 44 Eliz. Brian Emerson and Katherine, his wife, took lease of ½ of a parcel of land called Snowhopcloase, paying thereon fine of 2s. 6d. At Wolsingham, same date. Christopher Emmerson, s. and h. of Robert Emmerson, took leases of a mess., and half of 2 a. land, and ½ a mess. and ½ a cottage and croft, etc., called Crampshouse, in both which parcels Robert Emmerson resigned his rights. At Lynsacke, same date, Henry Emerson fined for assault. At Stanhopp, 3 Nov., 1 Jas. I. George Emerson, bailiff (and again 17 April, 2 Jas. I.). William Emerson fined for trespass. At Wolsingham, same date. Christopher Emmerson, and Margaret, his wife, surrender her rights in land late belonging to John Wilkinson, and likewise in a mess. and croft, the former ownership of which is not stated. At Wolsingham, at above date, Anna Emmerson, wife of Edward Emmerson, took lease of a mess. and 12 a. l., late in ten. of Jerrard Salvin, Esq., called Coalcloase, in which her father, Ralph Nevell, surrendered his rights, and she and her husband grant a lease thereof to Thomas Hull, who redemises it back to them both. At Stanhop, 15 Oct., 2 Jas. I. George Emmerson, bailiff. George Emmerson, of Shitleyburne, and William Emmerson, of Stotfield burne, fined for mutual assault. At Linsake, same date, Henry Emmersonn fined for assault. At Stanhopp, 12 April, 3 Jas. I. George Emmerson on Jury. John Baimbridge fined for assault on Wm. Emmerson. At Stanhopp, 16 Oct., 3 Jas. I. George Emerson, bailiff (and again 14 May, 4 Jas. I.). Briam Emerson took a lease of about 2 a. of waste land, and George Emmerson and Elizabeth, his wife, a lease of about 3 acres of waste land, the latter in the waste called Bolliopp, both at Newlandsyde. Ralph Maddison demised to Ralph Emerson closes called the holme and Westershittelfield (parcel of a holding called Shatleburne), for a term of 20 years. At Stanhopp, 14 May, Jas. I., George Emerson, of Shitlehope burne, fined for assault. At Wolsingham, same date. Robert Emerson, s. and h. of Cuthbert Emerson, decd., took lease of closes called Moorewaisted, Easterwaiste, Welcloase, Jamescloase, forme ly held by his father, in which James Jackson and Isabella, his wife, surrendered sd. Isabella's life interest in the same, as widow, upon which Robert Emerson granted a lease of ½ the property to the said Isabella Jackson. At Stanhoppe. 7 Oct., 4 James I. George Emerson, bailiff. William

Emerson, of Saltburne, fined for assault. George Emerson, of Shitleyburne, fined for not repairing his fences at Brudeile. At halmote at Aukland, 22nd May, 5 James I. Byersgreane. Thomas Hopper, and Isabella, his wife, granted lease of a house and close in the rear, containing about 3½ acres, called Cornehill, and 3½ a. arable land, now in occupation of Thomas Emerson, to said Thos. Emerson during lifetime of sd. Isabella. At Heighington, same date, John Emerson, for not having his bread baked in the lord's oven. At Stanhopp, 27 May, 5 Jas. I. George Emerson on Jury (bailiff, 12th follg. Oct.). Ralph Emerson fined: also George Emerson, of Newlandsyde. Richard Emerson fined for assault. At Wolsingham, same date. Edward Emerson surrenders his rights in a mess. and the Coalesclose als. Digingfeilde, in favour of Thomas Morgayne. On the preceding 5th of Sept. Michael Thompson had demised to Arthur Emerson a mansion house, garden, and 10 a. land, etc., for term of four years, in Wolsingham. At Stanhope, 16th May, 6 Jas. I. George Emerson, junr., on Jury. At Stanhope, 26 Oct., 6 Jas. I. George Emerson, bailiff and foreman of Jury (and again 16th June, 7 Jas. I.). At Bieregreane, 8 June, 7 Jas. I. Thomas Hopper demised Longland close to Martin Emerson for 6 years without licence, and was therefore fined. At Heighington, same date. John Emerson sued for debt. At Stanhoppe, 20 Oct., 7 Jas. I. George Emerson, jun., bailiff (and again 7 June, 8 Jas. I.). At Wolsingham, same date. Edward Emerson took lease of a mess. and 12 a. l. called Coleclose als. Diggingfeilde, late in tenure of Jerrard Salven, Esq., in which Thomas Morgaine surrendered his rights. At Stanhop, 7 June, 8 Jas. I. William Emerson fined for assault. Michael Thompson fined for assault on wife of Wm. Emerson. At Wolsingham, same date. Ralph Emerson sues for debt. George Emerson took lease of mess. and 12 a. l. called Coleclose, etc., in which Edward Emerson surrendered his rights. At Stanhopp, 17 Oct., 8 Jas. I. George Emerson, junr., bailiff. George Emerson and Elizabeth, his wife, late widow of Arthur Fetherstonhalghe, demised meadows in Newlandsyde, for term of life of sd. Elizabeth, to William Jackson. At Stanhopp, 10 April, 9 Jas. I. George Emerson, junr., bailiff. William Emerson fined for not repairing the floodgate. William Emerson took lease of ½ of ½ pt. of a parcel of land called Crawbanke, from Christopher Jackson and Elizabeth, his wife, for 3 years, at 12s. rent. At Wolsingham, same date, Christopher Emerson fined for leasing his customary lands without licence. At halmote at Aukland, 11 April, 9 Jas. I. Martin Emerson took lease of a cottage and close called Wallesende (part of ½ pt. of a mes., etc., etc., called Parkeslande) from Richard Hopper and Agnes, his wife, for 5 years (supposing Isabella Hopper lives for that period), at £3 13s. 4d. annual rent. At halmote at Chester, 15 April, 9 Jas. I. At Chester, Plawsworth and Framwelgate. Henry Emerson fined for assault on Charles Fletcher. At Stanhopp, 26 Sept., 9 Jas. I. George Emerson, junr., on Jury. Brian Emerson fined for demising his customary lands without licence.

Court Roll 171. No. 1, 2nd Oct., 1610. Barnard Castle and Whorlton. Robert Emerson, the younger, fined xx.d. for an assault. Whorlton. Edward Emerson, "for pulling quick," 2d. No. 9. Raby Lordship. 12th April, 3 Chas. I. Wakefield. Christopher Emmerson fined 4d. for unmade hedge. (Son of Ralph of Shotton.—P. H. E.) Stainthropp. 24th April, 1628. Cockfield. Ralph Emmerson fined for "twoe overstints in the weste parke," 2s. (?Son of Ralph of Shotton.—P.H.E.) No. 10. Staindrop, 6 and 7 Hen. VII. No mention of Emerson.

Cursitor Roll, No. 27. 10—14 Jas. I. Halmote held at Darlington, 20th May, 10 Jas. I. [1612]. Bondgait in Darlington. Henricus Oswold, Thomas Emerson . . . Jur. Halmote held at Midlham. 22nd May, 10 Jas. I. [1612]. Radus. Mayson quer. de Johe. Emerson in placito debiti Et predict. defend. fecit defalt., ix.s. Halmote held at Darlington, 26th Oct., 12 Jas. I. Bondgait in Darlington. The Jurors present Thomas Emerson for contempt, 3d. To this Court came Thomas Emerson and Leonard Emerson his son and heir apparent, and took from the lord 3 roods of land and 1 parcel of meadow containing ½ rood of land lying in Blackwelfield. Robert Huetson surrendered his right in the said premises into the hands of the lord to the use of the said Thomas and Leonard Emerson and their families (sequel.) in right according to the custom of the court, they paying the accustomed rent for the same. Halmote held at Sedgfield, 25th Ap., 14 Jas. I. [1616]. Sedgfeilde. The Jurors present John Emerson because he did not repair his hedges at Brackes, 2d. And the said John for contempt, 2d.

No. 6 (Inqs. p.m., etc.). Elizabeth (34 mems.). At Inquisition taken at Durham, 18th Dec., 6 Eliz., pr. that Roland Emerson acquired from Sir Wm. Bellasses, and Margt. his wife, 2 mes., 20 a. l., etc., etc., in Wardayle and Stanhopp, held in chief by military service, with licence of the Bp., and was in receipt of the profits, etc., therefore, from 1st Apr., 1st year of Bp. James, to the date of present Inquisition.

No. 7, fol. 2. In a terrier of Bp. William, July—Aug., 12 Jas. I. Brian Emerson is returned as having acquired a mess., garden, 10 a. l., 20 a. meadow, 10 a. past., in Ruckhopsyde, pch. of Stanhopp, from Ralph Fetherstonhaugh, gent., by fine of 20 July, 5 Jas., which premises, according to Inq. taken 25 May, 9 Jas., are held of the Bp. of Durham in chief, of ann. value of 40s. Fol. 4. Same date. A sum of £270 is entered as due from Brian Emerson, and Katherine his wife; William Emerson, and Margaret his wife; Elizabeth Phillipp and Anne Phillipp, daurs. and co-heirs of William Phillipp, decd., on lands in Marshall meadows, Eastgate, Scowterley, Shitlopelese and Stanhopp, etc., for default of payment by the said co-heiresses during 30 years, from the date of the Inq. p.m. on said Wm. Phillip, to last 30th of May. They show a discharge under the seal of Bp. Matthew. Fol. 13. Extent of lands in hands of Bp. Richard, for various causes, undated. From farm tenents of lands in Stanhopp, alienated by Thomas Emerson to one George Emerson, without licence, of 20s. per ann. value, as appears by Inq. taken 23 Sept., 18 Jas. I., and continues to (?) present time, viz., 25th Sept., 18 Jas. I., of same value, £5. Fol. 201. At some date previous to 1630, George Emerson sold said premises to one John Hutchinson. Fol. 244. 24th Aug., 1637, licence granted to Robert Emmerson to alienate by fine or otherwise, to John Todd and Robert Todd, 2 mess., etc., in Bellerside, pch. of Wolsingham. Fol. 524. 28th May, 1616, £10 recd. from William Emerson, junr., of Stretyate (?Eastgate), yeoman, for recog. entered into, 27th Sept., 1615. William Emerson, senr., of same place, surety.

Bundle 9 (Recogns.). Fol. 5. June, 3rd year of Bp. Thomas [Wolsey]. Anthony Emerson, of Bedburn Park, yeoman, sought writ of Supplicasit r. Richard Hogesson de Hogeknoll and others.

Bundle 10 (Memds of Leases). (Parts of the pages eaten away.) Fol. 9. 19th May [?4th] year of Bp. Richard (1497 added below in the Margin). Lease of the East Quarter, North side of Stanhop Park, to Roulland. Emryson. Sureties: Henry Emereson, of Stanhop Park, yeoman, and Rouland Henryson, of Stanhop Park, yeoman. Lease of the East Quarter, South side, on the same day, to Geoffrey Emereson, Alexander Emereson, Robert Todd and Richard Watson. Lease of the West Quarter of Stanhop Park, South side, to John Henryson, of Wolsingham, yeoman; Rouland Herryson, of Stanhop Park, yeoman; William Emereson, of Stanhop Park, yeoman; Thomas Watson, of Stanhop Park, yeoman; and Geoffrey Emreson, of Stanhop Park, yeoman, on the same day. Fol. 12. In 4th year of Richard [Fox] Rouland Emreson, of Blakeden, is surety on a lease; and at the same time he takes a lease of the Estblakdene, in conjunction with Thomas Rycherdson. Edward Emreson is one of the sureties. Fol. 13. Same date, Edward Emereson, of hernwell, yeoman, takes lease of le hernewell. Robert Emereson, a surety. Robert Emereson, of Isopburn, Papewrthill (?afterwards spelt Papeworthill) takes lease of the Iresshopburn Papeworthill. Edward Emereson, of Isopburn, takes lease of the Isopburn le hell haus. Same date, Adam Emerson, of Parva Hyngyngwell, yeoman, takes lease of the same with le Parrok. William Emereson, junr., takes lease of le Datryschele. Fol. 17. (?date.) Roulland Emereson renews his lease with William Emereson, senr., and Roulland Henryson as sureties. Geoffrey Emryson and the others also renew their lease, and Elena Emereson is admitted tenant "in tabernand." *inter alia*. Fol. 19. 20th May, 5 Bp. Richard, John Hall and George Emereson took lease of le Holmhall, in the Park of Wolsingham. Robert Emereson, of Isopburn, and Richard Emereson of the same, are sureties for Edward Emereson, of Hernwell. Fol. 20. George Emereson, Robert Emereson, of Brymell, and Edward Emereson are sureties for Roulland Emereson, of Estyate, in Werdale. Alexander Emereson is surety for Roger Baynbrig, of Herthopburne. Fol. 21. Roulland Emereson, of Rungshawell (?Hanging Wells), is surety for Ralph Baynbrig. Fol. 22. 3rd March, 7th year of Bp Richard, George Emereson, of Swalwele, by Whikham, yeoman, with others, took out licence for carrying coal from Fugerfeld to Whikham. Fol. 45. [Sept., 5 Bp. Richard.] Alexr. Fethirstonhalgh and Henry Emreson, of Stanhopp, yeoman, took lease of Stanhopp Mill.

Bundle 11 (Appearances). Robert Emeryson, of Estyate, is fined for non-appearance,

Bundle 141 (Surrenders of Copyhold land-). 22 March, 7 James I. Edward Emerson surrd. a mess. and 12 a. l. called Colecloee als. Biggin[field ?], in Wolsingham, formerly in ten. of Jerrerd Salven, Esq., to the use of George Emerson, his brother. Witnessed by Raulphe Emerson, etc. (Signed) Edwarde Emersone.

Bundle 148 (Coroner's Inqs.). At an Inq. held at Greatham, Co. Durham, 11 June, 14 Jas. I., Christopher Emerson and John Emerson were on the Jury.

Bundle 151 (Extents of Land, Eliz.). 8 Q. Eliz. A Fine betw. Ralph Watson and Henry Watson, 2.; and Henry Parkinson and Margery his wife, and John Emerson, gent., deforc., a mess. and land in Graftons, psh. of Haughton.

Bundle 152 (Extents, Chas. I.). An entry of the alienation of lands in Stanhopp, by Thomas Emerson to George Emerson.

Bundle 154 (Patents). Letters Patent, dated 6 Nov., 1630, granting pardon to said Thomas and George Emerson, for said alienation, and for subsequent alienation by George to John Rychardson and Ursula his wife.

Bundle 155 (Indents.), No. 68. 22nd Feb., 20 Eliz., between Roland Emerson, of Rucopp in Wardell, psh. of Stanhopp, Co. Durham, of the one part; and Michaell Pemberton, of the City of Durham, yeoman, of the other, being deed of sale by Emerson to Pemberton of premises in Stanhope, for £40.

Bundle 157 (Process at Westr., 13 James I.). At an Inq. taken at the City of Durham, 21 Oct., 13 Jas. I., Thomas Emerson is the first-named of the Jury.

(Bundle 158 is a collection of writs for commissions to take Inqs. p.m. As all the inqs. p.m. have been searched, this bundle has been omitted.)

Bundle 159 (Writs, Jas. I.). Writ, dated 25 May, 10 Jas. I., in action by Robert Nevile, gent., *v.* Lawrence Newbye . . . . Robert Emerson . . . . and Ralph Emerson, for trespass.

Bundle 192 (Inqs.). Anthony Emerson was one of the Jury on an Inq. taken at Durham, 28 April, 1 Car. I. Thomas Emerson was one of the Jury on an Inq. taken at Durham, 7 Oct., 22 Jas. I.; and also at Durham, 21 Jan., 20 Jas. I.

Bundle 193 (Writs, etc.). William Emerson is on the Jury on Inq. taken at Durham, 9 Oct., 5 Geo. I. (This bundle is of mixed dates, tho' cald. as of Car. I.)

No. 24. At a halmote held at Darlington, 5 May, 12 Eliz. (Bondgate Division). John Emerson fined 6d. for not making a fence. At halmote at Darlington, 13 Oct., 12 Eliz. (Bondgate Division). Robert Emerson on Jury, and was surety for Thos. Jackson; also on Jury of ditto, 20th June, 13 Eliz. On 19th May, 14th Eliz., he was fined 6d. for not making a fence. At halmote at Darlington, 23rd April, 15 Eliz. (Bondgate Division). Robert Emerson on the Jury; also on 2nd Oct., 15 Eliz., and 5 May, 16 Eliz.; on 18th Sept., 16 Eliz. At halmote at Darlington, 21 April, 17 Eliz. (Bondgate Division). John Emerson and Robert Emerson, on Jury. The latter also on 8th Nov., 17 Eliz.; 26th May, 18 Eliz.; 25th Sept., 18 Eliz.; 4th May, 21 Eliz.; 23rd Sept., 21 Eliz.; 19th April, 24 Eliz., when Thomas Ventresse was fined for making an affray on Robt. Emerson. He was on Jury, 13th Oct., 24 Eliz.; 27th April, 25 Eliz.; 9 Oct., 25 Eliz.; 17th Sept., 26 Eliz., when he was fined 4d. for not appearing at Court; and Edmund Hodgshon was fined for making an affray on him. At this last Court (17 Sept., 26 Eliz.), Thomas Emerson took from the lord pasture for 3 beasts called the midlemore, formerly held by Lawrence Bucke. At halmote at Darlington, 12 May, 27 Eliz. (Bondgate Division). Robert Emerson on Jury; also on 31st Sept., 27th Eliz.; 16 April, 28 Eliz.; 1 Oct., 28 Eliz.; 21st July, 29 Eliz.

No. 25. At halmote at Darlington, 7th May, 30 Eliz. (Bondgate Division). Robert Emerson on Jury; also on 26th Sept., 30 Eliz. At halmote at Darlington, 7th Oct., 31 Eliz. (Bondgate Division). Thomas Emerson on Jury; and 1st April, 32 Eliz.; 22nd Sept., 32 Eliz.; 22 Sept., 33 Eliz., when he took lease of ½ a bovate of land. At halmote at Darlington, 29th May, 31 Eliz. (Bondgate Division). Robert Emerson on Jury; also on 10 May, 34 Eliz., when he acted as Collector. At halmote at Darlington, 10 May, 34 Eliz. (Bondgate Division). Thomas Emerson took a lease of one bovate of land of the "Townelande," and another of 3 acres of the same, parcel of ½ a bovate of land in the "Townefeilde." At halmote at Darlington, 25 Oct., 34 Elizth. (Bondgate Division). Thomas Emerson, son and heir apparent of Robert Emerson, took a lease of 2 mes. and 3 bovates of land called Toddislande, and also of a mes., etc., on the Clayrawe, to which sd. Robert renounced his title, etc. At halmote at Darlington, 16 Oct, 35 Elizth. (Bondgate Division). Thomas Emerson, Chairman of Jury; also member of Jury, 16th April, 36 Eliz.; 17th Oct., 36 Eliz.; 18th June, 37 Eliz.; 16th Oct., 37 Eliz.; 1st April, 39 Eliz.; 29 May, 40 Eliz.; 24 Oct., 40 Eliz.; 8 May, 41 Eliz.; 10th Oct., 41 Eliz.

No. 26. At halmote at Darlington, 23 April, 42 Eliz. (Bondgate Division). Thomas Emerson on Jury, and Collector. He was on Jury, 14 Oct., 43 Eliz.; 15 May, 44 Eliz. At halmote at Darlington, 14 Oct., 44 Eliz. (Bondgate Division). Thomas Emmerson surrendered his title to a mes., etc., in Bondgate, and a lease of the same was taken by John Atkinson. At a halmote, 11th May, 1 James I. Cecilia and John Hodshon sue Thomas Emmerson for wrongfully making a thoroughfare through their ground on the Midlemoore. Sentence given in his favour. At a halmote, 23 Oct., 1 James I. Thomas Emmerson on Jury; also on 7 May, 4 James I.; 21 May, 5 Jas. I.; is mentioned at halmote on 22 Oct., 5 Jas. I. At a halmote, 24 May, 6 Jas. I. An order given that Thomas Emerson and his tenants at "lawe moores" (among others) shall have and use a way from Consley lenyng through their pasture. At a halmote, 21 June,, 7 Jas. I. Thomas Emerson on Jury; also on 3 Oct., 7 Jas. I.; 4 June,* 8 Jas. I. At a halmote, 4 June.* 8 Jas. I. Thomas Emerson took a lease of half a croft, next the tent. of the late Robt. Todd, in which Jas. Dayle gave up his rights. At a halmote, 25 Oct., 8 Jas. I. Thos. Emerson on Jury; also on 19th April, 9 Jas. I., when he was Collector. On Jury also on 6th Sep., 9 Jas. I. At halmote at Sedgfeild (Sedgfeild Division), 8 Sept., 9 Jas. I. Elizabeth Lambe sued John Emerson for debt; verdict given that deft. owes pltff. 10d.

No. 28. At halmote at Darlington (Bondgate Division), 9 Oct., 14 Jas. I. Thomas Emerson on the Jury; also on 18th June, 15 Jas. I.; 22 Oct., 15 Jas. I.; 29th April, 16 Jas. I., when Thomas Emerson and Leonard Emerson, his son and heir, took lease of ½ a bovate of the Townelande, resigned by Thomas Hodgshon. At halmote at Darlington, 22 Oct., 16 Jas. I. Thomas Emerson on Jury; also on 2 April, 17 Jas. I.

Brancepeth Court Rolls. No Rolls preserved at the P.R.O., 1500—1600. Examined for mentions of Emerson—(1) 171, No. 2 (Brancepeth, including Willington, Stockley, East Brandon, Eldon, etc., 9 and 10 Hen. VII. [1494—5], a roll of 4 mems.). Mem. 4. Christofer Emereson mentioned in a list of names belonging to Willington (the last entry on the roll, which breaks off here abruptly without any summing up of fines, etc.), given at a Court held at Brauncepath, 30th April, 10 Hen. VII. (2) 171, No. 3 (Brauncepeth, as above, 7 and 8 Jas. I., a roll of 4 membranes). No mention of Emerson.

Portfolio 171, No. 12 (1690 A.D.). Weardale. Reverend in xpo pris Tobie dina p viden Dunelm Epi ffiorest, . . . pred xj Aprilis, Anno Regni Regine Elizabethe nunc, etc., xlij. [The beginning of this roll is torn right away on both sides.] Freeholders. Robtus. Emerson de Newfeld, Tho. Emerson pro terr. in Stanhop et fferryfeild Brianus Emerson. Tenent. p. termin› annos. Georg. Emerson, Robtus. Emerson de Sunderland, Tho. Emerson de Windiside, Georg. Bowes. armiger, per Arthur. Emerson (Wols.). Custom. tenent. (Copyholders not "at will of the Lord"). Rowland Emerson, Radulphus Emerson de Dawtherisheile, Robtus. Stevenson pr. (?) ad Cuthbt. Emerson, Cuthbertus Emerson, Thomas Emerson de Iresopborne, George Emerson de eadem, Arthur Emerson de Linge Rig, Thomas Emerson de eadem, vid. Emerson de Hinginge Wels, George Emerson de Smailebornes, vid. Emerson de Lynescarthe. Allison Emerson de eadem, Willms. Emerson de Low-Hersley, George Emerson de Sparteley, vid. Emerson de Billingsheile, George Emerson de Ludwell, Alice Emerson de Ludwell, George Emerson de Gatecastle, Cuth. Emerson de eadem, Willms. Emerson de eadem, Arthur Emerson de Brotherley, Nicolas Emerson de eadem, Willms. Emerson de Feildheade. Copieholders. Thomas Emerson. Eliz. Featherston complains against Joan Emerson, of Stotfoldborne, in plea of trespass to the damage of plaintiff of 30s. The jury say that the said Joan ought to pay her debt together with the costs of the court. John Thompson complains against Ralph Emerson in plea of debt 16d. The deft. confesses the action. John Nattres, of Easterblackdeane, complains of William Emerson, of Gatecastle, in plea of debt 3s., agreed. Jurors within the park of Stanhop. Nicho. Emerson, Geo. Emerson de Ludwell, Radus. Emerson, Will. Emerson. Who say that Arthur Emerson made an assault upon and drew blood from Peter Wright, fined 10s. Peter Wright for similar assault upon Arthur Emerson, 6s. 8d. George Emerson de Spartely fined 6d. George Emerson, of Ludwell, for keeping Rigatt Tuppes contra penam, 6s. 8d. Widow Emerson, of the same, for the like offence, 6s. 8d. William Emerson, of Horsley, for the like offence, 6s. 8d. Christopher Emerson, for the same, 6s. 8d. Arthur

Emerson fined 4s. Jurors within the said forest. Tho. Emerson de Arsopburne, Radus. Emerson de Datherisheile. Who say that Ralph Emerson cut down 1 ash. Fined 12d. Thomas Emerson for the same, 4d. "Item there is a paine laid that if any of the Coppie-holders of Rokopside doe Cut any woode within Wedow Emerson's tenement at Hinging Wells for everie Burden—vj.d." "A Byerley holden, the 2 of May, 1595, by the generall Consentes of theise followinge, viz., Raiph Maddeson . . . Raiph Emerson . . . George Emers n, Elizabeth Emerson, Geo. Emerson, Alle Emerson, Wm. Emerson, Cuthbert Emerson, Elsa Emerson." Alta (?) fforesta de Wardell. Visus franc plegii cum Cur. ibm. tent. apud Westgate Castle decimo quinto die Octobr. Anno regni dni. Jacobi Dei, etc., quinto coram Johe. Gill, gen. deputat. Cuthbti. Pepper Milit. magistri forestar. Dni. Willimi. Epi. Dunelm. foreste predict. Decanus et Capitlus. Cathedralis ecclesie Dunelm. esson. (essoign-excused) per Arthur Emerson. Thomas Tunstall esson. per Georgiu. Emerson. Hugo Hodgshon esson. per Robtum. Emerson. Tenen. Customar. Johes. Sheale esson. per Robtum. Emerson. Jana Emerson esson. per Georgiu. Myres. Vidua Emerson esson. per Michem. Whitfeild. Quer. Cuthbtus. Emerson queritur versus Jenken Bainbrigge in placito debiti—vj.s. Johes. Emerson queritur versus Philippum Bainbrigge in placito debiti—xx.d. Jurator. de fforesta. Brianus Emerson, Cuthbtus. Emerson. Thomas Emerson, Rowland Emerson. Jurator. dicunt qd. Johes. ffetherstonhaughe fecit affraiam infra jurisdiccoem. hujus Cur. super Georgium Emmerson. Ideo ipse in misericordia—iij.s. iiij.d. Item presentant quod est quaddam fossatum inscoratum apud Burnehoppe faweditch in defectu Rici. Waller et Johis. Emerson ad nocumentum populi dni. Regis. Ideo uterque eorum in misericordia—iij.s. iiij.d. Jurator. de parco. Juratores dicunt quod Georgius Emerson habuit averia sua videlicet boves vaccus porcos et bident. suas pascen. in pastur. voc. ffirth sine warrant. dni. Ideo in misa.—iij.s. iiij.d. William Emerson assaulted Wm. Newbye. Fined 10s. John Emerson assaulted Ric. Bainbrigge. Fined 3s. 4d. William Emmerson did not sufficiently repair his part of the wall towards Whesuahoppe. Fined 3s. 4d. Geo. Emerson, Arthur E., Peter Wright and Wm. Emerson had a larger number of cattle in Whesnahoppe and Swinahoppe than they ought to have. Each fined 3s. 4d. Cuthbert Emerson had too many beasts upon the common pasture. Fined 6d. Arthur Emerson, Geo. Linsay and Widow Emerson had too many beasts on the common. Fined 12d. George and Arthur Emerson assaulted each other. Fined 20d. each.

Bundle 27. 10—14 Jas. I. Halmote of William, Bp. of Durham, held at Darlington, 20th May, 10 Jas. I. [1612]. Bondgate in Darlington. Thomas Emerson, juror. Halmote of said Bp. held at Midlham, 22nd May, 10 Jas. I. Sedgefield. Ralph Mayson complains of John Emerson of plea of debt. Halmote of said Bp. held at Wolsingham, 26th May, 10 Jas. I. Stanhop. George Emerson, junior, juror. John Johnson fined 3s. 4d. because he demised his customary lands to Ralph Emerson and Peter Bambrig for 4 years without the licence of the court. Halmote of said Bp. held at Wolsingham, 26th May, 10 Jas. I. Stanhope demise. Margaret Jackson, widow, relict of Wm. Jackson, came and demised to Thomas Rey, all her right in 2 lez dailes of meadow lying in the great meadow called Newlandsyde field on the west part thereof; also another le daile of meadow called Springedale in the said field, a parcel of land called Esterlawfaw in the said field, parcel of a tenement lying upon Newlandsyde containing 24 a. of land which she had for 10 years of the demise of George Emerson, and Elizabeth his wife, if the said Elizabeth so long shall live; to hold for all the years yet to come specified in the said demise. Stanhope demise. Brian Emerson came and demised to William Stephenson 4½ a. of land lying in the west field of the said town, now in the occupation of the said William, for 12 years, he paying therefore yearly to the said Brian, 26s. 8d. Wolsingham. Robert Emerson, collector for Grinwelsyde. Robert Emerson fined 3s. 4d. for cutting down an oak. George Emerson demises to Anne Emerson, now the wife of Edward Emerson, 1 messuage and 12 a. of land called Coleclose, alias Biggingfield, lying in Wolsingham, sometime in the tenure of Jerrard Salven, Esq., for 10 years; fine 12d. Wolsingham. Christopher Emerson demises to Lancelot Braidley the moiety of 1 messuage and 2 a. of land for 9 years, the said Lancelot paying yearly to the said Christopher 5s. Halmote of William, Bp. of Durham. held at Wolsingham, 14th Oct., 10 Jas. I. [1612]. Stanhope. George Emerson and Brian Emerson, jurors. Halmote of said Bp. held at Darlington, 21st Oct., 10 Jas. I. Bondgate in Darlington. Thomas Emerson, juror. Halmote of said Bp. held at Wolsingham, 28th April, 11 Jas. I. [1613]. Stanhope. George Emerson, juror. George Emerson, of Shitleyburne, fined 6d. for not repairing his hedges to the injury of the neighbours. Wolsingham. Robert Emerson, Collector for Wigside. Ralph Emerson complains against Cuthbert Lyn for plea of debt, 23s. 4d. Halmote of said Bp. held at Darlington, 4th May, 11 Jas. I. Blackwell. Thomas Emerson came and took from the lord 2 bovates of Exchequer land in Blackwell, wherein Robert Garnet, gent., having a right, surrendered it into the hands of the lord at Littleburne, 3rd Dec., 10 Jas. I. [1612], to the use of the said Thomas. Thomas Emerson came and took from the lord 1 parcel of land containing 4 a. of meadow lying under Baydell banke in a field called Blackwelfield, which Robert Garnet surrendered into the hands of the lord on the said 3rd Dec. Bondgate in Darlington. Thomas Emerson, juror. Halmote of said Bp. held at Wolsingham, 26th Oct., 11 Jas. I. Stanhope. George Emerson, juror. Brian Emerson fined 6s. 8d. because he demised his customary lands to William Gray for divers years without licence of the Court. Henry Blaxton, gent., fined 6s 8d. because he demised his customary lands to divers persons without licence, amongst others, to the widow Emerson land called Crawshouse. John Johnson fined 6s. 8d. for likewise demising lands called Newlandsyde to Peter Bambrig and Lionel Emerson for divers year. Halmote of said Bp. held at Darlington, 3 Nov., 11 Jas. I. Blackwell. Anthony Nevill, Esq., took from the lord 2 bovates of Exchequer land in Blackwell which Thomas Emerson surrendered, 9 June, 11 Jas. I.; also 1 parcel of land containing 4 a. of meadow lying under Baydell banke in Blackwelfield, which the said Thomas Emerson likewise surrendered as above. Bondgate in Darlington. Thomas Emerson, Juror. Ralph Smithe demises to Thos. Emerson 4 a. of arable land in the fields of the town of Darlington, parcel of 1 bovate of land sometime in the tenure of James Browne, for 7 years. Halmote of said Bp. held at Darlington, 18 May, 12 Jas. I. Bondgate in Darlington. Thos. Emerson, juror. Halmote of same, held at Wolsingham, 20 May, 12 Jas. I. Stanhope. Ralph Emerson, juror. Brian Emerson fined 3s. 4d. for demising his customary lands to William Gray for divers years without licence of the Court. Lynsacke. John Robinson and Ralph Emerson each fined 3s. 4d. for an affray. Wolsingham. George Emerson complains against Anthony Bayts for plea of debt. Halmote of said Bp., held at Wolsingham 14 Oct., 12 Jas. I. Stanhope. Ralph Emerson, juror. Mem. that on June 4, 12 Jas. I., Ralph Teisdale demised to Lionel Emerson the moiety of all his holding, to wit, the moiety of 2 acres of land lying in the Westfield, and the moi ty of another parcel of land called Snapgueat, for 3 years; also 1 parcel of land late of the waste of the lord, containing 2½ a., lying on the south side of his tenement at Newlandside, for 3 years. Wolsingham. The wife of Edward Emerson fined 4d. for not appearing to do suit at the Court. Halmote of sd. Bp. held at Chester, 17 Oct., 12 Jas. I. Chester. Jane Emerson complains against Jane Wynde in plea of debt. Halmote of said Bp., held at Darlington, 26 Oct., 12 Jas. I. Bondgate in Darlington. Thomas Emerson, juror. Thomas Emerson fined 8d. for not repairing his hedges. Thomas Emerson, and Leonard, his son and heir, took of the lord 3 roods of land and 1 parcel of meadow containing ¼ rood lying in Blackwelfield, which Robert Huetson surrendered into the hands of the lord to the use of the said Thomas and Leonard. Halmote of Will., Bp. of Durham, held at Stockton, 3 May, 13 Jas. I. Cockerton. Thos. Emerson and Leonard his son, took of the lord the moiety of 1 messuage and 2 bovates of husbandry land, sometime of William Betson, and the moiety of 1 cottage sometime of William Hudson, which James Johnson and Margaret his wife surrendered, 10 Dec., 12 James I., to the use of the said Thos. and Leonard. Halmote of sd. Bp. held at Wolsingham, 10 May, 13 Jas. I. Stanhope. Ralph Emerson, juror; Brian Emerson, Collector. On the 28th Oct., 12 Jas. I., Brian Emerson demised to Wm. Gray a tenement called Blackhouse eile, next Eastyait, now in the occupation of the said Wm., for his natural life, he paying yearly to the said Brian 32s. Lynsacke. Christopher Emerson took of the lord 1½ a. of land, late of the waste which John Dobinson surrendered. Wolsingham. Robt. Emerson took 1 a. of waste land adjoining the held of his tenement called Moorehouse, on the north part under the Reedgait, paying therefore yearly 4d. Halmote of William, Bp. of Durham, held at Auckland, 19 Oct., 13 Jas. I. Byersgreane. Roger Taylor fined 3s. 4d. for demising customary lands to Martin Emerson for divers years without licence. Halmote of William, Bp. of Durham, held at Wolsingham, 20 Oct., 13 Jas. I. Stanhope. Ralph Emerson, juror. The wife of George Emerson fined 3s. 4d. for demising her customary lands called Rukopsyde for divers years without licence. Stanhope. Hen. Blakeston,

gent., and Mary his wife, and Ralph Maddeson, Esq., demised to Ralph Emerson 1 close called the Holme, 1 close Westershitlopfeild, 1 parcel of land called Pingell Kempe Laires, parcel of 1 parcel of land called Shitleyburne, to wit, of 1 messuage, 1 barn, and 18 a. of land lying in 3 fields sometime of Thos. Marshall, to hold for 21 years, paying therefore yearly £7. Wolsingham. Robert Emerson fined 6d. for grinding corn away from the mill of the lord at Wolsingham. Halmote of same held at Darlington, 27 Oct., 13 Jas. I. Bondgate in Darlington. Thos. Emerson, juror. Thos. Emerson fined 2d. for not repairing hedges. Halmote of same held at Sedgfield, 25 Ap , 14 Jas. I. Sedgefield. John Emerson fined 2d. for not repairing his hedges at Brackes. Halmote of same held at Wolsingham, 30 Ap., 14 Jas. I. Stanhope. Geo. Emerson, juror. Proclamation for heir of Geo. Emerson. Francis Fetherstonhalghe, s. and heir of Anthony Fetherstonhalghe, deced., took of the lord 1 tent. lying on New andsyde, cont. 24 a. of land, wherein Geo. Emerson and Eliz. his wife, late relict of the said Arthur, having right of widowhood for her life, having right surrended, 29 Dec., 13 Jas. I.; also 3 a. of land sometime the waste of the lord in Bullihop, which the said Geo. and Eliz. likewise surrendered [in this case the name is Arthur in both instances]. Francis Fetherstonhalghe, s. and heir app. of Eliz. Emerson, relict of Arthur F., now wife of Geo. Emerson, took of the lord 1 parcel of land cont. 3 a. lying on the south part of the tent. of said Eliz. at Newlandsyde, extending over the waste called Bollihop. The said Francis F. demised to Geo. Emerson and Eliz. his wife the moiety of 1 tent. lying upon Newlandsyde, containing 24 a. for 40 years; also 1 parcel of land cont. half of 3 a. of the south part of the tent. of sd. Eliz. at Newlandsyde; also the other half of said premises. Will. Emerson, younger s. of Geo. Emerson, took of the lord the moiety of 1 tent. on Newlandsyde, cont. 24 a. surrendered by Francis Fetherstanhalgh; also moiety of 3. a. in Bollihop, etc., etc. Brian Emerson took the moiety of 1 tent. on Newlandsyde cont. 24 a.; the moiety of 3 a. in Bollihop, and the moiety of 1 parcel land cont. 3 a. lying on south side of tent. of Geo. Emerson, late of Arthur Fetherstonhalghe, at Newlandsyde. Halmote of same at Darlington, 18 May, 14 Jas. I. Cockerton. Thos. Emerson, Collector. Thos. Emerson and Leonard his son took 1 parcel of pasture, late parcel of Cockerton Moore cont. about 12 a., which Edward Marshall surrendered; also 4 les. coterightes and pasture for 4 beasts in Cockerton; also 4 les oxegangerightes in Grangclose and pasture for 3 beasts in Grangfield, which Thos. Hodshon surrendered.

No. 28. 14—16 Jas. I. Halmote held at Darlington, 9 Oct., 14 Jas. I. [1616]. Bondgate in Darlington. Thomas Emerson, Juror. 22 June, 14 Jas. I. Robt. Robson, Geo. Parkinson, Wm. Porter and Henry Perkinson, gents., demised to Thomas Emerson 1 messuage in Wheesoe, 1 close of pasture called Wessowe out Moore in Wessowe, 3 closes called Fogfeilds and a close of pasture called Pondhill, to hold for 8 years. Halmote held at "Aikland" Episcopi, 10 Oct., 14 Jas. I. Heighington. Wm. Emerson fined 6d. for not ringing (quia non anulavit) his pig. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 23 Oct., 14 Jas. I. Stanhope. William Emerson, Juror. Lynsacke. Thomas Hodshon complains against Ralph Emerson for debt. Wolsingham. Edward Emerson took of the lord 1 messuage and 12 a. of land called Cole close alias Biggingfield, lying in Wolsingham, sometime in the tenure of Jerrard Salvin, Esq., which George Emerson surrendered to the use of the said Edward. The said Edward demises the said premises to John Tod for 6 years. Halmote of King James held at Darlington (the See of Durham being vacant), 18 June, 15 Jas. I. [1617]. Bondgate in Darlington. Thos. Emerson, Juror. Halmote of King James (the See of Durham being vacant) held at Wolsingham, 26 June, 15 Jas. I. [1617]. Stanhope. Ralph Emerson, Juror. John Johnson demised to Ralph Emerson, of Horsley, ½ of a close called the Dayle, ½ of a close called Oxeclose and ½ of a close called the Fawe (parcel of 1 tenement and 40 a. of land lying in Newlandsyde) for 6 years. Ralph Teisdale demised to Lionel Emerson the moiety of 2 a. of land lying in the Westfield and of 1 parcel of land called Snapegnest for 8 years. Lynsacke. Christopher Emerson took of the lord 1 messuage with a garden late of the waste of the lord at Grewburnesike which Rob. Braidley surrendered to his use. Wolsingham. Thomas Cragg fined 6s. 8d. for demising customary lands to Rob. Emerson without licence. Halmote of King James held at Stockton, 21 Oct., 15 Jas. I. Bondgate in Darlington. Thos. Emerson, Juror. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 28 Oct., 15 Jas. I. Stanhope. Ralph Emerson, Juror. Lynsacke. Ralph Hodgshon, John Sidgwicke, John Watson and Christr. Emerson took of the waste of the lord 3 roods of land lying at Tewhett Myres, on the north of the tenement of William Dobinson and on the east of the tenement of Christr. Emerson, to the general use of all the tenants of the said town. Halmote of Richard, Bp. of Durham, held at Darlington, 29 Ap., 16 Jas. I. [1618]. Cockerton. Thos. Hodgshon took of the lord 1 parcel of pasture with a parcel of Cockerton Moore containing about 12 a. late parcel of 1 messuage and 2 bovates of land in Cockerton, which Thomas Emerson and Leonard Emerson his son surrendered to the use of the said Thomas Hodgshon. Bondgate in Darlington. Thos. Emerson, Juror. Thos. E. and Leonard E. his son took of the lord the moiety of 1 bovate of land of the Towneland, which Thos. Hodgshon surrendered to their use. Halmote of Ric., Bp. of Durham, held at Wolsingham, 7 May, 16 Jas. I. [1618]. Stanhope. Ralph Emerson, Juror. Halmote held at Stockton, 20 Oct., 16 Jas. I. Bondgate in Darlington. Thos. E., Juror. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 30 Oct., 16 Jas. I. Stanhope. Ralph E., Juror. Halmote held at Chester, 23 March, 16 Jas. I. Chester. John E. complains against Marmaduke Boomer for debt. Halmote held at Aikland, 24 Mar., 17 Jas. I. Byersgreene. Ric. Hopper and Agnes his wife demise to Martin E. 1 cottage and 1 close called Wallefeilde for 10 years. Halmote held at Darlington, 2 Ap., 17 Jas. I. Bondgate in Darlington. Thos. E., Juror. Halmote held at Wolsingham, 3 June, 16 Jas. I. Stanhope. Ralph E., Jur. Halmote of Ric., Bp. Durham, held at Wolsingham, 3 June, 17 Jas. I. Stanhope. Hen. Blaxton, gent., took of the lord 1 parcel of land called Shitleyburne, etc., etc. Mentions a mansion house and barn now in occupation of Geo. E. lying on the south of the common way leading from Wolsingham to Stanhope.

No. 94. James I., memb. 13. William, Bp. of Durham, etc., 9 March, 5 James I. [1608]. Know ye that for the good service to us rendered by George Emerson, junior, yeoman, the office of one of the keepers of our park of Stanhope for his life, taking for the same year y 45s. 6d. William, Bp. of Durham, etc., 9 March, 5 Jas I. We have granted to Geo. Emerson, senior, and Geo. E., junior, the office of bailiff of Stanhope in Weardale for their lives. Wm., Bp. of Durham, 23 July, 4 Jas. I. [1606]. Licence to William Emerson, yeoman, son and heir of George E., yeoman, deceased, who held of us in capite, to enter into all the manors, lands, etc., of the said George without proof of age, etc., etc. Indenture made 20 Feb., 8 Jas. I., between Geo. Warde and Rob. Morgan, gents., and John Richardson, gent., and Geo. Walton, mercer, of the other part. Mentions lands in the tenure of Anthony Emerson and — Emerson, widow, in Auckland. Indenture made 10 Sept., 5 Jas. I., between Sir Hen. Lindley, of Holden, in co. Kent, Knt., and John Starkey, of the same, gent., and Arthur Walton, of Lanchester, in co. Durham, yeoman. Mentions (inter alia) the garth called Our Lady garth, in Lanchester, cont. 6 acres, late in the tenure of John Hurgill and Robert Emerson.

No. 95. Jas. I. No Emersons.

Roll 96, n. 45. Inqn. p.m. of Rob. Ellinor, late of Hutenhenrie, in co. Durham, taken 22 April, 13 Jas. I. [1615]. Mentions 1 messuage and 20 a. of land in Hutenhenrie, late of Robert Emerson. n. 82. Thomas Vepond, of Grenehead, in co. Durham, yeoman, by indenture, dated 8 Nov., 3 Jas. I. [1605], purchased to him and his heirs for ever, of Christopher Emerson, 1 house with the moiety of 1 field adjoining, at Grenehead, and all that parcel of land called Guy's Close head, containing 2 a. and all that parcel of land adjoining the said Guy's close head, cont. ½ a. of land, and all that parcel of land adjoining the Fell Dyke, cont. 1 a. of land, parcel of Newfield, which were held of Will., Bp. of Durham, in chief by knight's service, without licence from the said Bp. Now the Bp., upon payment of fine, pardons him: 25 Oct., 13 Jas. I. [1615]. n. 84. George Emerson, of Shitleyburne, by indenture dated 14 Jan., 9 Jas. I., purchased to him and his heirs for ever, of Thomas Emerson, the house and garden in Stanhope and ½ a. of land adjoining the Frith next Stanhope, and the close cont. 4½ a. of land, in Stanhope, called East Ferryfeild, which are held of Will., Bp. of Durham, in chief by knight's service, without licence of said Bp. Now the sd. Bp. pardons the sd. George E.: 25 Oct., 13 Jas. I. [1615].

Roll 97, n. 28. Thos. Aisley, gent., by fine levied 22 July, 14 Jas. I. [1616], purchased to him and his heirs for ever, of Edward Emerson and Anne, his wife, and Thos. Weldon, gent., 1 mess., 3 tofts, 2 orchards, 20 a. of land, 40 a. of meadow, 140 a. of pasture and common of pasture in Coneshowses, in par. of Wolsingham, held of Wm., Bp. of Durham, in right of his Bishopric in chief, without Letters from sd. Bishop. Now the sd. Bishop pardons him: 3 Aug., 14 Jas. I. [1616]. no. 48. William, Bp. of Durham, in consideration of the faithful service rendered by George Emerson and Ralph Emerson, of Eastyate, in co. Durham, gentlemen (per Georgium Emerson et Radulphum Emerson de Eastyate, in Com. Dunelm, gen.), has granted to them the office of one of the keepers of the park

of Stanhope within the ancient forest of Weardale, toge her with pasture for 1 horse within the said park for the better execution of the said office, and has constituted them keepers as one office, for their lives, at the yearly fee of 5s. 6d. : 12 Sept., 14 Jas. I., 1616. On the same day the said Bp. grants to the said George and Ralph Emerson, "gen.," the office of the bailiwick of Stanhope, in Wardell, in co. Durham, with pasture for 1 horse, for their lives, at a yearly fee of 40s.

No. 98. Jas. I. No Emersons.

No. 101. Richard, Bp. of Durham. Whereas, by Inqn. taken at Durham, 20 Sept., 3 Chas. I. [1627], after the death of Christopher Emerson, of Breerton, in co. Durham, yeoman, it was found that the sd. Christr. died seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 close of pasture called Bellesside (?) and 1 other close called Marcebancke, in Wolsingham, next the Briggend, late of Thos. Farrowe, which are held of us in chief by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, 10s., and that the sd. Christr. died 5 May, 2 Chas. I. [1626], and that Robert E. is his s. and next heir, and was then aged 20 years. Now, the sd. Rob. being of full age, we give him licence to enter into sd. premises without proof of age. Durham, 8 Oct., 1627.

No. 108. Thos., Bp. of Durham. Permission to Rob. Emerson [no place given] to alienate to John and Rob. Todd 2 mess., 8 a. of meadow and 20 a. of pasture in Belleside, in par. of Wolsingham, to hold to them and their heirs for ever. 24 Aug., 1637.

No. 110. Lands held of Bp of Durham in chief in co. Durham, and alienated without licence. . . . . of the tenants of certain lands in Stanhope alienated by Thos. Emerson to Geo. E. without licence, extending to 20s. p. ann., from the time of the Inqn. taken 24 Sept., 13 Jas. I., up to the 24th day of Sept., 12 Chas. I., to wit, for 21 years—£21. Of the issues of certain lands in Stanhope alienated by Ralph Fetherstonhalgh, esq., to Brian Emerson by fine levied 2 Aug. 5, by inqn. taken 20 May, 9 Jas. I., extending to 40s. per ann., and up to 20 Nov., 12 Chas. I., to wit, 25 years and 6 months—£51.

No. 109. Will. Emerson, of Easter Blackedeane, in co. Durham, yeoman, and Thos. Robinson, of Westyate, in co. Durham, yeoman, to be foresters within the forest of Werdaile. At Durham, 7 May, 1640.

No. 116. John, Bp. of Durham. Licence to the drapers, tailors, mercers, hardwaremen, coopers and chandlers of Gateside, in co. Durham, to be in deed and name "one Comunity fellowshipp body Politique and Incorporate p petuall." The name of Ralph Emerson appears in the list, but there is no description of him. At Durham, 16 Sept., 1661.

Parish Registers.

That wise and great King Henry VIII. ordered parish registers to be established in 1538, and these valuable records are accepted as evidence in a law court. Unfortunately many parsons have kept them badly, lost them, avoided the duty of sending transcripts to the various registers, and nowadays charge extortionate sums for extracts. Perhaps could all the parsons' dealings in the matter of parish registers be revealed, nothing would prove more the low *morale* of many of the clergy, and nothing causes so much worry to the genealogist as the combined incompatency and greed of many of the clergy—on the other hand, there are, of course, some enlightened and generous parsons who help all they can and claim only a just fee, in some rare cases returning even their just fees. The sooner the parish registers are all removed to the Public Record Office the better for everybody.

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St. Mark Le Bow, Durham, 1571—1640.

Marriages. Robert Stod and Eliz. Emerson, 8 Dec., 1596. William Emerson, of the par. of Stanhopp, gent., and Anne Atkinson, of the par. of St. Giles, Durham, widow, 12 Ap., 1634. Marke Mallard, of Greatham, and Jane Emerson, 27 June, 1635.

Burials. Carsar [*sic*] margin. One Emerson, 23 June, 1586. John E., prisoner, 28 Ap., 1591. Gabriel E., prisoner, 25 Oct., 1596.

St. Margaret's Crossgate (Chapelry), Durham, 1558—1640.

Baptisms. Geo. Emsonn. 1 Feb., 1558. Rob., s. of John E., 24 Aug., 1589. Robt., son Jainkin E., 13 Oct., 1594. Hewe, s. of Jhon, 15 Ap., 1599. Nicholaus, fil. John E., 7 Jan., 1615. Anna, fil. Johannis E., 27 Mar., 1631.

Marriages. Robt. Bowocke and Agnes E., 28 July, 1583. Lancelot Richardson and Eliz. Enerson, 28 June, 1584. John als. Jenkine E. and Ann Brice, 22 Sept., 1588. John Ramsey and Eliz. E., 21 June, 1612. Peter Nattres and Anna E., 18 June, 1620. Radulphus E. and Anna Newbye, 8 July, 1633. Leonall E., of Stanhope, and Eliz. E., of Barnard Castle, 6 June, 1637.

Burials. Lance. E., 10 Aug., 1575. Agnes Enerson, 23 June, 1581. Rowland E., "suspens." apud Dryborne, 26 July, 1581. John E., 26 Ap., 1582. Janking E., 24 Aug., 1593. Robt. E., 21 Oct., 1594. Ann E., 14 Mar., 1596. Wm. E., s. Geo., 3 Oct., 1597. Daine E., 9 Oct., 1597. Widow E., 8 June, 1623. Eliz., d. of John E., 4 Mar., 1638.

St. Mary the Less, Durham, 1559—1640.

Marriages. John Emerson and Frances Newton, 30 June, 1607.

St. Oswald's, Durham, 1538—1640.

[Gap between 1592 and 1598.]

Baptisms. Jenet Hemerson, 20 Nov., 1545. Allyson E., 6 July, 1560. Rawffe E., 21 Nov., 1560. Marget E., 15 May, 1568. Rawffe E., 6 Aug., 1570. Thomazine E., d. of Robert E., gen., 14 Nov., 1628.

Marriages. John Tedcastell and Allyson Hemerson, 14 Nov., 1545. Martyne Baitmason and Annes E., 16 June, 1566. Rawffe E. and Issebell Choplynge, 20 Ap., 1567. Thomas Proctor and Agnes E., 24 July, 1586. John E. and Grace Jefferson, 30 Nov., 1614. Thos. Shaw and Cense E., 13 June, 1625. Robert E., gen., and Ellinor Thompson, wedow, 23 Dec., 1627.

Burials. Issebell E., 9 June, 1543. Lyonnell E., 22 Mar., 1561. Marget E., 20 Mar., 1565—6. Jennet E., 26 Mar., 1567. Yzabell E., 26 Aug., 1587. Raphe E., 4 Sept., 1587. Margarett E., wiffe of Tho. E., of Wardaile, 30 Nov., 1619. Robert E., yeom., 1 Jan., 1630—1.

Saint Giles in the City of Durham, 1587—1640.

Marriages. 1636, Thomas E., mercator pannarius uxorem duxit Graciam Walton, filiam Nicolai Walton Artiu. Magistri viges mo quarto Januarii. 1640, Thomas Snawdon, uxorem duxit Elizabetham Emmerson, 19° die Maii. Lionel Emmerson uxorem duxit Graciam Dobson parochiæ de Stannop, 8° die Junii. William E. and Elizabeath E., 16 Aprill, 1666.

Burials. 1587, Margrett E., 23 October.

St. Nicholas, Durham, 1540—1640.

Baptisms. Ales, d. of Anthonie E.. 30 Nov., 1612. Thos., s. of Anthonie E., dyer, 25 Sept., 1614. Eliz., d. of Thos. E., cordiner, 4 July, 1619. Hewgh, s. of Christopher E., cordiner, 8 July, 1621. Thos s. of Christopher E., cordiner, 9 June, 1624. John, s. of same, 30 Mar., 1627. Cuthbert, s. of same, 23 Mar., 1627—8. Jayne, d. of same, 17 July, 1631. Anne, d. of same, 24 Aug., 1634. Mary, d. of same, 23 Feb., 1636—7. Frances, d. of Thomas E., 27 Dec., 1637.

Marriages. Raiph E., and Margaret his wife, 4 July, 1545. [In these early registers the wife's maiden name is not given.] Thos. E. and Jayne, 23 May, 1619. Christopher E. and Anne Baites, 17 Ap., 1621. Thomas E. and Jayne Erington, 27 Nov., 1621. Christr. Maddison and Annas E., 27 Oct., 1622. John Wycliff and Alice E., 18 Nov., 1628.

Burials. [Gap in burials from 1551—1561.] Richard E., 12 July, 1587. Jayne, wife of Thos. E., cordiner, 7 July, 1619. John, s. of Christopher E., 12 April, 1627. Jayne, d. of Christr., 3 Mar., 1633—4.

Chester-le-Street, 1582—1665.

Baptisms. John, s. of John E., 9 Nov., 1609.

Burials. Henery E., of Herverton, 21 Nov., 1616. John E., of Chester, 29 Ap., 1619. Ellenour E., 27 Aug., 1626. [Fin. June, 1635.]

Marriages, 1582—1604 : Nil. Baptisms, 1582—June, 1635. Burials, 1582—1642 inclusive.

Bishop Wearmouth, Sunderland, 1567—1640.

Burials. John Amersoun of Sunderlands, 13 Aug., 1619.

[None of the Sunderland Churches have registers before 1719. All the baptisms, marriages and burials previous to that date were entered in the Bishop Wearmouth Registers.]

Lanchester, 1560—1640.

[From the beginning up to 1603 more than half the entries are absolutely illegible.]

. . . son of Ralph Emmerson, was . . 2 March (?) 1602. [Gap from 1603—1687.]

Pittington, 1574—1640

[A few entries on first 3 pages quite illegible.] Nil.

Bishop Auckland, St. Andrew's, 1558—1700.

Baptisms. "A chyld called Martin E., 9 Sept., 1565." John, son of John E., 10 Feb., 1582—3. "Annas," d. of Henry E., 23 July, 1587. Helen, base dau. of William E., of Byers, 5 July, 1620. George, s. of William E., of Byersgreene, 20 June, 1630. Anne E., d. of same, 17 Oct., 1630 [*sic*] John, s. of Thos. E., of Byersgreen, 15 Jan., 1631—2. Margaret, d. of Wm. E., of Byersgreen, 23 Sept., 1632. Eliz., d. of Thos. E., of Byersgreen, 25 March, 1633. Jane, d. of Wm. E., of same, 28 Sept., 1634. Eliz., d. of Thos. E., 25 Mar., 1634. George, s. of George E., of Biasgreen, 4 Sep., 1636. Ann, d. of Thos. E., of same, 26 Feb., 1636—7.

Thos., s. of Wm. E., of same, 4 Mar., 1637—8. Marie, d. of Wm. E., of Bias, 13 Oct., 1642.

Marriages. George Rulles and Margt. E., 6 Feb., 1575—6. Xpofer Grenwell and Jaine E., 17 June, 1576. Martin Robinsonn and Isaabel E , 17 May, 1580. John E. and Jennat Hynd, 24 June, 1582. Launclot Andersonn and Annas E., 24 May, 1584. Henry E. and Elline Horslie, 22 May, 1586. George E. and Jennet Joly, 9 Sept., 1588. Wm. Willsou and Mary E., 9 Aug., 1618. Geo. E., of Stanhope, and Isabel Wall, of Midrige, in this par., on 23 May, 1626. Thos. E. and Helen Johnson, 29 May, 1627. Wm. E. and Anne Blacket with a "Lycens," 24 Feb., 1628—9. Thos. E. and Anne Todde, 9 June, 1629.

Burials. Jaine E., a child, 17 May, 1568. Wedow E., 3 Jan., 1571—2. Eliz. E., 6 Nov., 1576. Jas. E., Auckland, 14th Oct., 1590. "Vmffraie" E., 15 Aug., 1593. Wife of Geo. E., of South Church, 19 May, 1600. Jennett E., 24 May, 1610. Geo. E., 11 Dec , 1613. Jennet, late wife of Rob. E., of Byarsgreene, 17 May, 1626.

Baptisms. John, s. of Geo. E., of Biars grene, 2 Ap., 1665.

Marriages. Geo. E. and Jane Smyth, both of Byasgreen, in par. of Andrew Auckland, 29 June, 1657. John Daniell and Jane E., 3 July, 1666. John E. and Anna Tod, 5 May, 1670. Geo. Harrison and Ruth E., both of this par., 7 July, 1685. John E. and Barbra Gentt, 3 Aug., 1691. Thos. Yealder and Annie E., 21 May, 1695.

Burials. Eliz. E., of Byasgreene, widow, 10 Nov., 1658. Mary, wife of Thos. E., of Byarsgreen, 22 Nov., 1666. Thos. E., of same, 15 Feb., 1681—2. Jane, wife of Geo. E., of same, 26 Nov., 1698.

STANHOPE, 1609—1700.

Burials. Wido E., of Fernom (?) Ford, Jan., 1648. [This on flyleaf.]

Baptisms. Margaret, d. of Arthur E., of Lyngregg, 4 Feb., 1609. E., — to John E., of Lengregg, 10 Mar., 1609. George, s. of John E., of Shityelye, 18 Mar., 1609. E., d. of Ralph E., of Shitlyburne, 13 May, 1610. Ralfe, s. of Cuthbert E., of Burnop, 19 Sept., 1610. Thos., s. of Wm. E., of Isaburne, 19 May, 1611. Margerie, d. of Roland E., of Hingand wells, 19 May, 1611. ——, s. of Cuthbert E , of Feldhyd, 23 July, 1611. Jaine, d. of George E., of Newlandsyde, 20 Nov., 1611. Thos., s. of John E., of Lynge Reed, 29 Nov., 1611. Wm., s. of Ralphe E., of Horsley, 26 July, 1612. Wm., s of Wm. E., of Isaybayne, 10 Oct., 1613. ——, d. of John E., of Sperltyelye, 28 Nov., 1613. Jaine, d. of Wm. E., the younger, of ——, 6 Feb., 1614. George, son of Cuthbert E., of Burneap, 14 May, 1614. Isabell, d. of George E., of Isaburne, 12 June, 1614. Elezabeth, d. of Wm. E., of Isaburne, 25 Sept., 1614. Robert, s. of Arthur E., of Ludwell, 1 Jan., 1615. Elizabeh, d. of Cuthbart E., of Feldheed, 11 June, 1615. John, s. of Robert E., of The Wastes, 19 Nov., 1615. Wm., s. of Robert E., of The Wastes, 26 Nov , 1615. Anne. d. of Ralfe E., of Dardrishell, 2 May, 1616. John, s. of Nic. E., of Burneop, 15 Sept., 1616. Eliz., d. of John E., of Langregg, 15 Sept., 1616. Margaret, d. of Arthur E., of Ludwell, 17 Feb., 1617. John, s. of Wm. E., of Stotfoldburne, 6 July, 1617. Cuthbert, s. of Rob. E., of The Wastes, in par. of Wolsingham, 5 Oct., 1617. ——, d. of Roland E., of Newdaysyd, 23 Nov., bur. 26 Nov., 1617. John, s. of Wm. E., of Hoyburne, 1 Dec., 1617. Ralfe, s. of Arthur E., of ——, 1 Mar., 1618. Nicholas, s. of Thomas E., of Brotherly, 28 Mar., 1618. Wm., s. of Thos. E., of Newparke, 19 Ap., 1618, Wm., s. of John E., of Sperltelye, 30 Oct., 1618. George, s. of Ralph E., of Horsley Waptysid, 11 Ap., 1619. Eliz., d. of John E., of ——, 13 June, 1619. Jaine, d. of George E., of Eastyait, mother's name Eliz. Myers, 1 Aug., 1619. ——, s. of Roland E., of Ludwell, 12 Aug., 1620. Geo., s. of Thos. E., of ——, 1 Oct., 1620. John, s. of Thos. E., of Brotherly, 8 Oct., 1620. Wm., s. of Wm. E., of Eastyate, 15 Oct., 1620 (born 8th day). Olyver, s. of Cuthbart Hennerson, of ——, 24 Dec., 1620. Ralph, s. of Ralph E., of Dawdryheild, 13 May, 1621. Catherine, d. of Wm. E., of Eastyait, 21 Nov., 1621. Ann, d. of John E., of Ludwell, 16 Dec., 1621. Wm., s. of John E., of Ludwell, 5 May, 1622. John, s. of Wm. E., of Eastyait, 15 Ap., 1623. Samuell, s. of Thos. E., of Lingrige, 27 July, 1623. ——, s. of Arthur E., of Ludwell, 18 Ap., 1624. Wm., s. of Arthur E., of Gaitcastle, 8 May, 1625. Geo., s. of William E., of Billingsheele, 8 Ap., 1627. Arthur, s. of Arthur E., of Gatecastle, 15 Ap., 1627. Rowland, s. of Geo E., of Hingin Wells, 27 May, 1627. Hen., s. of Ralph E., of Eastyett, 11 Sept., 1627. Geo , s. of Geo. E., of Smaileburnes, 7 Oct., 1627. Arthur, s. of Cuthbert E., of Arsayburne, 2 Mar., 1627. Frances, d. of Ralph E., of Westyett, 16 Mar., 1627. Geo., s. of Geo. E., of Windyesyde, 25 May, 1628. John, s. of Thos. E., of ——, 18 Ap., 1629. Mary, d. of Ralph E., of Eastyeat, 18 Ap., 1629. Jane, d. of Arthur E., of Gatecastle, 9 Aug., 1629. John, s. of Geo. E., of Smaileburns, 8 Nov., 1629. John, s. of Geo. E., of Windisyde, 25 Ap., 1630. Rob., s. of Cuthbert E., of ——, 6 Feb., 1631. Ann, d. of Ralph E., of ——, 14 May, 1631. Eliz., d. of Arthur E., of Gatecastle, 18 Mar., 1632. Margt., d. of Wm. E., of Shetlipburne, 4 Ap., 1632. Eliz., d. of Geo. E., of Windisyde, 12 Aug., 1632. John, s. of Thos. E., of Sunderland, 18 Sept., 1632. Wm., s. of Wm. E., of Billingsheild, 12 Dec., 1632. John, s. of Wm. E., of Lingerigg, 6 Mar., 1632—3. Eliz., d. of Cutbart E., of Isaburne, 6 July, 1633. Jane, d. of Thos. E., of Horseley, 25 July, 1633. Ann, d. of Cuthb. E., of Farnwell, 1 Sept., 1633. Wm., s. of Geo. E., of Smealburne, 1 Jan., 1634. Isable, d. of Wm. E., of Sheitlyside, 17 Aug., 1634. John, s. of Arthur E., of Gatecastle, 3 Dec., 1634. Ann, d. of Wm. E., of Brotherley, 5 Feb., 1634. Thos., s. of Raphe E., of Westyeet, 7 May, 1635. Jane, d. of Thos. E., of Weareshead, 6 Sept., 1635. Raphe, s. of Geo. E., of Smallburnes, 25 Oct., 1635. Ann, d. of Thos. E., of Horsleyheed, 4 Sept., 1636. Cuthbert, s. of Cuthb. E., of Hopburne, 13 Nov., 1636. Wm., s. of Wm. E., of Lingrig, Mar., 1636—7. Wm., s. of Wm. E., of Brotherlye, 10 Ap., 1637. ——, — of Wm. E., of Eastyait, 13 Aug., 1637. Ralph, s. of Geo. E., of Windisside, 27 Aug., 1637. Frances, d. of Thos. E., of Sunderland, 25 July, 1638. John, s. of Thos. E., of Lingierige, 5 Aug., 1638. Arthur, s. of Wm. E., of Billingshell, 10 Sept., 1638. Cuthbert, s. of Thos. E., of Weareshead, 11 Nov., 1638. John, s. of Geo. E., of ——, 20 Feb., 1638. Margt., d. of Geo. E., of Smalburnes, 12 Aug., 1639. Ralphe, s. of Wm. E., of Horseley (?), 8 Sept., 1639. Margt., d. of Lionel E., of Shitlyeburne, 23 Feb., 1639—40. Eliz., d. of Wm. E., of Easterblackdeen, 10 Aug., 1640. Thos., s. of Geo. E., of ——, 24 Aug., 1641. ——, — of Ralph E., of ——, 21 Sept., 1641. Eliz., d. of Thos. E., of Weareshead, 21 Sept., 1641. Rob., s. of Lionell E., of ——, 24 Feb., 1641—2. Thos., s. of Wm. E., of Easterblackdean, 14 Aug., 1642. Frances, d. of Ralph E., of Easterblackdean, 8 Sept., 1642. Eliz., d. of Arthur E., of Burterraford, 14 Dec., 1642. Ralph, s. of Ralph E., of Rountreford, 23 July, 1643. Ralph, s. of Ralph E., of Killop, 31 July, 1643. Eliz., d. of Geo. E., of Smallburnes, 6 Aug., 1643. Arthur, s. of Arthur E., of Weareshead, 6 Sept., 1643. Ralph, s. of Ralph E., of Wheshinopburne, 10 Sept., 1643. Cuthb., s. of Thos. E., of Sunderland, 19 Nov., 1643. Eliz., d. of Christr. E., of Eastyet, 19 Nov., 1643. Eliz., d. of Lionel E., of Horesley, 26 Nov., 1643. Lionel, s. of Lionel E., of Shitliesburne, 11 Jan., 1645. Ann, d. of Wm. E., of Horselye, 9 Feb., 1645. Arthur, s. of Thos. E., of ——, 15 June, 1646. Katherine. d. of Geo. E., of Smallburnes, 15 July, 1646. Ann, d. of Christr. E., of Eastyate, 29 March, 1645. Tho., s. of Arthur E., of Wereshead, 15 Mar., 1645. John, s. of Wm. E., of Horselye, 26 Ap., 1646. Margt., d. of Tho. E., of Sunderland, 31 May, 1646. John, s. of Lionel E., Shotlyburne, 11 Ap., 1647. Mary, d. of Arthur E., of Gatcastle, 29 Oct., 1647. John, s. of John E., of ——, 29 Oct., 1647. John, s. of Tho. E., of Boortryfoord, 19 Dec., 1647. Isabel, d. of Ralf E., of Welhop, 19 Dec., 1647. Margt., d. of Thos. E., of Grenewell, 20 Feb., 1647. Mary, d of Cuthb. E., of Carsayborne, 6 Mar., 1647. Jo., s. of Jo. E. [*sic*], of Windiside, 23 Ap., 1648. Geo., s. of Thos. E., of Sunderland, 12 Dec., 1648. Eliz., d. of Cuthb. E., of Lingrigge, 10 Feb., 1648. Geo., s. of Christ. E., of Estyeat, 9 Mar., 1648. Margerie, d. of Wm. E., of Horsley, 12 Nov., 1649. ——, — of Cuth. E., of ——, 27 Jan., 1649—50. Ralph, s. of Lionel E., of Shitlhopsburnes, 26 Mar., 1651. An, d. of Mr. Wm. E., of Eastyeat, 20 Ap., 1651. Geo., s. of Jo. E., of Wolsingham, 24 Jan., 1651. Wm., s. of Wm. E., of Horsley, 2 Feb., 1651. ——, — of Tho. E., of Sunderland, 14 Mar., 1651. Jo., s. of Christ. E., of Eastyeat, 4 May, 1652. Wm., s. of Lionel E., of Shitlehopburne, 9 Ap., 1653. Isabell, d. of Tho. E., of Burtersford, 4 July, 1653. Ann, d. of Wm. E., of Eastyeat, 6 Sept., 1653. Eliz , d. of John E., of Windiside, 6 Sept., 1653. Tho., s. of Ralph E., of Rowtrefoote, 19 May, 1653. Wm., s. of Ralph E., of Hunshell, 17 June, 1653.

Marriages. Arthur E., of Ludwell, and Jane E., of Eastyeat, 28 Feb., 1611 (?). Raff E., of Horsley, and Margt. E., of Eastyeat, 2 July, 1611 (?). Raffe E., of Drydyeshell, and Janet Fetherston, of Hetherelwth. (?), 23 July, 1611 (?). Thos. Hurll and Marg. E., of this par., 26 Nov. (?). Rob. Barton, of Newcastle, and Anne, d. of Lionel E., of Eastyeat, 22 May, 1615. Thos. Chalynwood and Anne E., 18 Aug., 1615. Barbara E., 3 July, 1616. Thos. E., of Brotherly, and Eliz. Nattras, 29 May, 1617. Thos. E. and Esabell Parker (?), 16 May, 1617. John Cottsforth and Alyson E., 4 June, 1618. Isabel E., 2 June, 1618. [As there were so many weddings I merely noted the woman's name, to save time.] Eliz. E., of Ludwell, 24 Nov., 1618. Marg. E., of ——, 6 June, 1619. Isabel E., of ——, 28 Aug., 1619. Aunes E., of ——, 16 Nov., 1624. Arthur E. and

Catheron E., 21 Feb., 1624—5. Cuthbert E. and Susan Parker, 3 Oct., 1625. Katheron E., 28 Nov., 1625. Willyam E., of Billinsheele [neither the woman's name nor date given], 1626. Geo. E., of Smaileburne, and Isbell E., 30 Nov., 1626. Katherine E., 5 Feb., 1626—7. Raiph E., of Westyett, and Anne Walton, 12 June, 1627. Jane E., 31 July, 1627. Ralph E. and Ann Hareson, 25 Sept., 1627. John E. and Margt. Clotsworth, 21 Oct., 1628. Margt. E., 4 Jan., 1628—9. Jane E., of Ludwell, 4 Feb., 1629—30. Wm. E. and Margt. E., 20 Jan., 1630—1. Thos. E., of Lingrige, and Eliz. Whetfild, of Horslye, 16 July, 1632. Lancelot Robinson and Ann E., d. of Wm. E., of Lingrigg, 3 June, 1634. John E., of Burtreforde, and Alle Gibson, of Weare, 11 June, 1634. Jane E., 25 Nov., 1634. Anne E., 21 June, 1635. Geo. E., of Westyeat, and Ann Harrison, of the Allers Weare, 26 Oct., 1636. Wm. E., of Horslye, and Margerie Stobes, d. of Wm. S., 16 Oct., 1637. John E. and Eliz. Bainbridge, 10 Sept., 1640. John E. and Ann Whitfield. both of this par., 12 Nov., 1640. Raphe E. and Ann Sheell, both of this par., 8 Aug., 1640. Arthur E. and Jaine Cotaforthe, both of this par., 2 Nov., 1641. Geo. E. and Ann E., 4 Feb., 1644—5. Thos. E. and Margt. E., 10 Nov., 1646. John E., of Windiside, and Margt. E., of Teasdeell, with lic., 8 July, 1647. Cuthb. E. and Jane Thomson, of Sunderland, 12 May, 1648.

Burials. John E., of Brotherly, 20 Dec., 1615. Wm. E., of Blakrasels, 9 Mar., 1615—16. Geo. E., of Isayburne, 6 Ap., 1616. ——, wife of Geo. E., of Belyng shell, 4 May, 1616. Geo. E., s. to Briand E., of Estyeat, 27 July, 1616. Jenet, wife of Ralpe E., of Daydrishell, 31 Dec., 1616. Isabel E., d. of Geo. E., of Setlyburn, 8 Ap., 1617. Thos., s. of Thos. E., 5 Ap., 1617. Geo. E., of Ludwell, 6 Ap., 1617. Wm. E., of Stotfoldburne, 13 Sept., 1617. Arthur E., of Irenwell, 1 Oct., 1617. John, s. of Wm. E., of Isayburne, 8 Dec., 1617. Arthur, s. of Wm. E., of Isayburne, 29 Dec., 1617. John, s. of Wm. E., of Stotfold, 12 Feb., 1618. Anne, wife of Wm. E., 4 July, 1618.

Marriages Samuel E., of Easterblacke Deane and Allice Sheele, of Harttaburne, 22 Feb., 1652—3. Geo. E. [this name has been altered], of Burnhop and Eliz. Nattres, 28 Ap., 1653.

Burials. Rob. E., of Gatecastell, 26 Mar., 1596 (?). Francis, s. of Ralf E., of Estyeat, 7 Ap., 1596. Francis, s. of Geo. E., of Estyeat, 9 Ap., 1608. Rob E., of Ludwell, 22 June, 1608. Geo. E., of Ludwell, 6 Jan., 1615—16. Rob., s. of Rob. E., of Ludwell, 28 Jan., 1615—16. Geo. E., of Estyeat, 7 Dec., 1616. Alyner E., widow, 20 Dec., 1616. Alyson E., widow, 28 Jan., 1616—17. Brian, s. of Rob. E., of Ludwell, 26 Nov., 1618. Cuthbert E., of Blakedean, 23 Jan., 1619. John E., of Burnop, 2 Ap., 1619. Margt., d. of Roland E., of Lynscarth, 25 Dec., 1619. Margt. E., widow, of Stottfeld, 4 Jan., 1619. Marie, d. of Roland E., 4 Feb., 1619. Thos., s. of Wm. E., of Gatecastell, 16 May, 1620. Wm. E., of Gatecastell, 12 Ap., 1621. Mary, wife of Raphe E., of Dawdrysheld, 15 May, 1621. Raphe, s. of Raphe E., of Dawdrysheld, 16 May, 1621. Catherine, wife of Briand E., of Eastyaite, 11 June, 1621. Wm. E., of Stanhope, 19 Nov., 1621. Allison E., of Lynescarthe, 24 Jan., 1621—2. Anne, wife of Rob. E., of the Wastes, in par. of Wols., 25 Jan., 1621—2. Eliz., wife of Roland E., 11 Ap., 1622. Arthur E., of Brotherley, 15 Ap., 1622. ——, d. of Arthur E., of Burtryfourd, 30 July, 1623. Allice E., of Rookhoope, widow, 23 Aug., 1623. Edward E., of Wolsingham, 29 May, 1624. Arthur E., of Ludwell, 5 Nov., 1624. Joan E., of Iresopbourne, widow, 14 Oct., 1625. Mary, wife of Christ. E., of Ludwell, 21 May, 1627. Geo. E., of Eastgett, d. at Durham, bur. at Stanhope, 18 Oct., 1627. Katherin, w. of John E., of Lingrigg, 30 Nov., 1627. Margt. E., of Brounerigg, 31 Ap., 1628. Wm., s. of Arthur E., of Gaitcastle, 2 Aug., 1628. Arthur, s. of Arthur E., of Lingerige, 4 Feb., 1628—9. John, s. of Arthur E., of Ludwell, 11 Sept., 1629. Marie, d. of Ralph E., of Emerson [*sic*], 28 Ap., 1630. Arthur E., of Weareshead, 8 Feb., 1632—3. John E., of Ludwell, 6 Mar., 1633. Cuthbert E., of Smalburnes, 14 Mar., 1633. Isabell, wife of Ralph E., of Shitleyburne, 11 May, 1633. Thos. E., of Issaburne, 14 Sept., 1633. Jane, d. of Arthur E., of Gatcastle, 8 Ap., 1634. Cuthbert E., of Earnewell, 9 Ap., 1634. Eliz., d. of Arthur E., of Burttreford, 11 June, 1634. John, of Burttreford, 6 Dec., 1634. Kathern, w. of Arthur E., of Gaitcastle, 14 Ap., 1635. Isabell, w. of Geo. E., of Cutsclose 21 Ap., 1636. Margt., wife of Ralph E., Horeslye, 4 June, 1636. Geo., s. of Ralph E., of Horeslye, 26 Feb., 1636—7. John, s. of Chrit., 14 Nov., 1637. Arthur E., of Burtreford, 26 Mar., 1637—8. Frances, w. of Lionel E., of Ravenslaw, 25 Ap., 1638. Wm. E., of Brotherlye, 24 Oct., 1640. Raphe E., of Eastyeat, 8 Nov., 1640. Raph E., of Shitlyeburne, 2 July, 1642. Raphe, s. of Ralph E., of Rownetreefoote, 14 Aug., 1643. ——, s. of Ralph E., of Rownetreefoote, 5 Oct., 1643. Geo. E., of Billingsheell, 28 Nov., 1643. Arthur E., of Lingrige, 24 Oct., 1644. Thos. E., of Brotherlye, 12 Aug., 1645. Ann E., wife of John, of Windieside, 16 June, 1646. Eliz. E., wife of Thos. E., of ——, 6 Sept., 1646. Geo. E., of Cutsclose, 9 June, 1647. Ann, wife of Arthur E., of Rookhoplne, 25 Feb., 1647—8. Bryan E., of Eastyeat, 5 July, 1649. Ra. E., of Lowhorsly, 6 Sept., 1649. Alice E., of the Forest, 25 Dec., 1650. Thos. E., of Westerblackdeane, 28 Dec., 1650. Jo. E., of Burneside (?), 16 May, 1651. Ralf E., of the Meadows, 8 Aug., 1651. Arthur, s. of Cuthbert E., of Linrigg, 25 Mar., 1652. John E., of Windeside, 13 Aug., 1653. Will., s. of Ralph E., of the Forest, 14 Sep., 1653.

The Stanhope Registers contain also the Registers of St. John's Chapel. They are all very badly written, and in the earlier ones the date is often not given on the page at all. and one has to turn back ever so far to find it.

Baptisms. Thos., s. of Thos. E., of Linggyrigg, 4 Oct., 1662. Thos., s. of Mr. Will. E., of Eastgate, 22 Aug., 1663. Wm., s. of Ro. or Ra. E., of Shitleburn, 26 Jan., 1663. Arthur, s. of Wm. E., of Blackclough, 4 Oct., 1663. Isabell, d. of Mr. Wm. E., of Eastyate, 5 Nov., 1664. Ann, d. of Thos. E., of Sherwinford (at the chapel), 15 Ap., 1665. Isabel, d. of Thos. E., of Langrigge (at the chapel), 6 May, 1665. John, s. of Geo. E., of Smaleburne, 24 Feb., 1666. Ann, d. of Thos. E., of Lingrig, 25 Mar., 1666. Margaret, d. of Mr. Wm. E., of Eastyate, 1 Ap., 1666. Thos., s. of Ralph E., of Stotfield, 24 June, 1666. Susanna, d. of Geo. E., jun., of Smaleburnes, 22 July, 1666. Eliz, d. of Cuthbert E., of Weareshead, 7 Aug., 1666. Ann, d. of John E., of Sunderland, 28 Aug., 1666. John, s. of John E., of Sherwinfoord, 16 Oct., 1666. Cuthbert, s. of Wm. E., of Blackclugh, 21 Dec., 1666. John, s. of Cuthbert E., of Wearshead, 18 Mar., 1666. Eliz., d. of Wm. E., of Amblinggate, 28 June, 1667. Hen., s. of Cuthb. E., of Amblinggate, 10 Aug , 1667. Thos., s. of Thos. E., of Ireshopburn, 12 Aug., 1667. Mary, d. of Mr. Wm. E., of Eastgate, 22 Sep., 1667. Hanna, d. of Ralph E., of Billingsheale, 7 Nov., 1667. Anne, d. of Ralph E., of Stotfieldburn, 1 Dec., 1667. Eliz., d. of Samuel E., of Harthoopburn (bap. at chapel), 26 Sep., 1668. Wm., s. of Thos. E., of Linggrigg, 25 Oct., 1668. Isabel, d. of Ralph E., of Billingsheel (Stanhope), 21 Feb., 1668. Thos., s. of John E., of Shitleburnes (chapel), 13 Mar., 1669. Ann, d. of John E., of Shitleburnes (chapel), 25 Ap., 1669 Ann, d. of John E., of Shitleburnes (chapel), 16 May, 1669. George, s. of Wm. E., of Eastgate, 20 June, 1669. George, s of John E., of Rookupside, 20 Nov., 1669. Rob., s. of Rob. E., of Smallburnes, 29 Jan., 1669. Mary, d. of Cuthb. E., of Rookhop, 20 Feb., 1669. Eliz., d. of John E., of Stotfieldburne, 18 Ap., 1670. Mary, d. of Geo. E., of Hanginwells, 22 Jan., 1670. Wm., s. of Ralph E., of Billingsheele, 2 Feb., 1670. Eldaah, d. of Mr. Wm. E., of Eastgate, 26 Feb., 1670 Margery, d. of Ralph E., of Horseley, 5 Mar., 1670. Eliz. d. of Rob. E., of Drilburnside, 22 Oct., 1671. Eliz., d. of Thos. E., of Allergille, 12 May, 1672. Geo., s. of Wm. E., of Amblingate, 16 June, 1672. Jane, d. of Cuthb. E., of Smaleburne, 15 Sep., 1672. John, s. of Mr. Wm. E., of Eastgate, 12 Nov., 1672. Margaret, d. of Ralph E., of Billingsheele, 11 Jan., 1672. Ann, d. of Geo. E., of Rukehope, 2 Feb., 1672. Grace, d. of John E., of ——, 13 Ap., 1673. Ann, d. of Geo. E., of ——, 13 Ap., 1673. Margaret, d. of Thos E., of Allegall, 17 July, 1674. Mary, d. of Thos. E., of Rookupside, 26 July, 1674. Lionel, s. of Wm. E., of ——, 2 Feb., 1674. Wm., s. of Ralph E., of Billingsheel, 12 Sept., 1675. Geo., s. of Cuthb. E., of Smaleburnes, 19 Sep., 1675. Geo., s. of Thos. E., of Allergill, 28 Dec., 1675. John, s. of John E., of Sunderland, 2 Feb , 1675. John, s. of John E., of Stotfieldburne, 18 June, 1676. Geo., s. of Cuthb. E., of Smalleburnes, 29 Oct., 1676. Arthur, s. of Rob. E., of Highbishoplry, 5 Nov., 1676. Katherine, d. of Margaret E., of Billingsheel, 7 Oct., 1677. Cuthbert, s. of Cuthbert E., of Smallburnes, 10 Mar., 1677. . . . , d. of John E., of Stotfieldburn, . . . , 1678. Hannah, d. of Geo. E., of Hinginwells, 18 Oct., 1678. Wm., s. of Ralph E., of Horsely, 20 May, 1680. Margaret (?), d. of Cuthbert E., of Smaleburnes, 2 Feb., 1680. Wm., s. of Mr. Wm. E., of Eastgate, 24 Mar., 1680. Anne, d. of John E., of Stotfieldburne, 17 Ap., 1681. Cuthbert, s. of Cuthbert E., of Smaleburnes, 16 Sep., 1682. Cuthbert, s. of Ralph E., of Horsly, 16 Nov. (?), 1682. Ralph, s. of John E., of Stotfieldburne, . . . , 1683. Francis, s. of Mr. Wm. E., Eastgate, 4 Oct., 1683. Mary, d. of Ralph E., . . . , 22 May, 1684. Jonathan, s. of Wm. E., of . . . , 26 May, 1684. Christopher, s. of John E., of Whesnopburne (?), 5 Nov., 1684, John, s. of John E., of Newlandside, 10 Jan., 1684. Eliz., d. of Cuthbert E., of Smaleburnes, 12 Ap., 1685.

Baptisms at St. John's Chapel. Margaret, d. of George E., of Sherwenford, 29 June, 1674. John, s. of Cuthbert E., of Greenwell, 23 Nov., 1674. John, s.

of Geo. E., of Weershead, 28 Dec., 1674. John, s. of John E., of Swinehopeburn, 29 Mar., 1675. Nicholas, s. of Nicholas E., of ——, 2 Ap., 1675. Eliz., d. of John E., of . . . , 10 Ap., 1675. Anne, d. of Nicholas E., of Brotherlee, 9 Feb., 1675. Jane, d. of John E., of Burttreeford, 12 Mar , 1675. Thos., s. of Arthur E., of Ireshopeburn, 9 Ap., 1676. Geo., s. of John E., of Windiside, 3 Oct., 1676. Geo., s. of Geo. E., of Weereshead, 11 Jan., 1676. Anne, d. of Arthur E., of Lowburn, 6 Jan., 1677. Arthur, s. of John E , of Burtreford, 20 Ap., 1679. Thos., s. of Cuthbert E., of Burnthills, 10 May, 1679. John, s. of Geo. E., of Shelingford, 21 June, 1679. Mary, d. of Arthur E., of Irehopeburn, 6 Jan., 1679. Susanna, d. of John E., of Hotts, 24 Jan., 1679. Isabell, d. of Geo. E., of Sherwinfoord, 22 Dec., 1683. Ann, d. of Thos. E., of Linggeridge, 24 Jan., 1683. Jane, d. of Geo. E., of Wereshead, 11 Nov., 1684. John, s. of Thos. E., of Heddryclough, 21 Feb., 1684. Sarah, d. of Jon. E , of Burtreeford, 30 May, 1685. Wm., s. of Thos. E., of Eastblackdeane, 3 Oct., 1685. Jon., s. of Arthur E., of Daddrysheele, 24 Oct., 1685. Thos., s. of Thos. E., of Heddryclough, 13 Feb., 1685. Geo., s. of Geo. E., of Sherwinfoard, 1 May, 1686. Jane, d. of Jon. E., of Shorthornes, . . . , 1686. Isabell, d. of Jo. E., of Swinhopeburn, 23 Dec., 1690. Thos., s. of John E., of Burtreeford, 26 Oct., 1691. Mary, d. of Thos. E., of Lowburn, 16 Sep., 1691. Sara, d. of Geo. E., of Datheryshield, 14 Feb., 1691. Thos., s. of Thos. E., of Sydefoot, 28 Mar., 1692. Hannah, d. of Arthur E., of Datherysheel, 30 July, 1692. Mary, d. of John E., of Swinhopeburn, 10 Oct., 1692. Mary, d. of Thos. E., of Westgate, 4 Mar., 1693. Cuthbert, s. of Cuthbert E., of Dikehead, 21 Sep., 1694. John, s. of Thos. E., of Ireshopeburn, 21 Sep., 1695. Thos., s. of Cuthb. E., of Lingyrigge, 3 Oct., 1695. Ann, d. of Cuthbert E., of Brownrigg, 28 Dec., 1695. Ann, d. of John E., of ye Hill, 7 Mar., 1695. Margaret, d. of Thos. E., of Westgate, 12 Dec., 1696. Mary, d. of John E., of Swinhopeburn, 27 Mar., 1697. Cuthbert, s. of Thos. E., of Lingyrigg, 2 Oct., 1697. Jane, d. of Cuthb. E., of Lingyrigg, 30 Oct., 1697. Wm., s. of Wm. E., of Westgate, 12 Dec., 1697. John, s. of John E., of ye Hill, 21 June, 1698. Mary, d. of Cuthb. E., of Brownerigge, 28 June, 1698. Eliz., d. of Cuthb. E., of Eastblackdean, 26 Ap., 1699. Thos., s. of Thos. E., of Ireshopeburn, 14 Sep., 1699. John, s. of Cuthb. E., of Lowrigg, 25 Oct., 1699.

Stanhope Marriages. Thos. E., of Sherwinford, and Anne Bainbrigg, of Wendyside, 1 Oct., 1663. Thos. E., of Isopburne, and Eliz. E., of Shortthornes, 22 Oct , 1663. Cuthb. E., of Wenswud, and Mary Nattras, 17 Nov., 1663. Mary E., 17 June, 1665. Eliz. E., 15 May, 1666. Ann E., 27 May, 1666. Thos. Thompson and An E., both of this par., m. in the Cath. Ch. of Durham by licence, 27 Nov., 1666. Wm. E and Eliz. E., both of this par., 16 May, 1667. John E. and Mary Thompson, both of this par., 20 May, 1668. John E. and Mary Watson, both of this par., 13 Nov., 1668. Cuthb. E. and Jane E., both of this par., 20 May, 1669. John E. and Eliz. Johnson, both of this par., 8 June, 1669. Robert E. and Mary Dobison, both of this par., 30 June, 1669. John E. and Margt. E., both of this par., 14 Oct., 1669. Ralph E. and Margt. Thompson, both of this par., 26 Ap., 1670. Eliz. E., of Stanhope, 2 June, 1670. Eliz. E., of Stanhope, 11 May, 1671. Geo. E. and Margt. Fetherstone, both of Stanhope, 1 Oct , 1672. Nich. E., of this par., and Ann Fawdon, of Brancepeth, by lic., 13 May, 1673. John E. and Margery Harrison, both of this par., 24 July, 1673. Ann E., 9 Sept., 1673. Geo. E. and Eliz. Vicars, both of this par., 21 Jan., 1674—5. Isabel E., 29 Aug., 1675. Eliz. E., 6 June, 1678. Margery E., 28 May, 1679. Margery E., 29 Jan., 1679—80. Thos. E. and Eliz. Nattras, both of this par., 12 Oct., 1681. Frances E., 11 Sept., 1682. Thos. E. and Anne Sheele, both of this par , 11 Jan., 1682—3. John E. and Catherine E., both of this par., 14 June, 1683. Thos. E. and Eliz. E., both of this par., 23 June, 1683. John E. and Mary Harrison, 21 May, 1695. Thomas E. and Anne Hall, 23 May, 1695. Anthony Maddison and Eliz. E., 25 May, 1697. John E. and Mary Pratt, 5 Aug., 1697. Thos. E., at Allandaile [*sic*], 20 Feb., 1697. Matth. Collinson and Ann E., at Newcastle, 22 Sept., 1698. Wm. E. and Ann Robinson, of ye Forrest, 1 May, 1699. Hen. Wall and Margt. E., of Fawhd., 21 May, 1699. John E. and Isabel E., of Forrest extra, 24 June, 1699. John Mushells and Anne E., of Parkquarter, 4 Aug., 1699.

Stanhope Burials. Thos., s. of Thos. E., of Ashopburne, 29 Sep., 1662. Anne E., of Wereshead, 27 May, 1663. Isabell E., widow, of Black Dean, 13 Oct., 1663. Cuthb. E., of Burnop, 24 Nov., 1663. Eliz. E., widow, of ——, 25 Nov., 1664. Eliz. E., widow, of Wereshead, 7 Dec., 1664. Ann E., widow, of Brotherlee, 15 Feb., 1664. John, s. of Wm. E., of Horslee, 20 Feb., 1664. Jane E., widow, of Westgate, 27 Feb., 1664. John, s. of John E., of Burnop, 2 Mar., 1664. Wm., s. of widow E., of Horslee, 19 Ap., 1665. Geo E., of Smallburnes, 2 Sep., 1665. Geo., s. of Mr. Wm. E. and Ann, his wife, of Eastgate, 6 Mar., 1665. Thos., s. of Thos. E., of Sherwinfoord, 22 June, 1666. Margt., wife of John E., of Rookopside, 23 Sep., 1666. Margt. E., widow, of Hysopburne, 1 Feb., 1666. Rob. E., of Ludwell, drowned, but not bur. here, because he d. excommunicate. Thos., s. of Thos. E., of Yet, 12 Sep., 1667. Arthur E., of Shorthornes, 28 Sep., 1667. Jane E., of Gatecastle, 22 Mar , 1667. Rob., s. of Ralph E., of the Forrest, 8 Nov., 1668. Cicely E., widow, of Isupburne, 16 Jan., 1668. Thos. E., junior, of Lingerig, 3 Sep., 1669. Frances, wife of Thos. E., of Sunderland, 13 Sep., 1669. Geo., s. of John E., of Rookupside, 16 Nov., 1669. Ralph E., senior, of Wellop, 27 Sep., 1670. Ann E., of Lingyridge, 22 Mar., 1670. Joseph, s. of Geo. E., of ——, 15 Ap., 1672. Margt., wife of Ralph E., of Horseley, 23 Ap., 1672. Thos. E., of Lingerig, 21 June, 1672. Margt., wife of Cuthb. E., of Weereshead, 11 Sep., 1672. Ann, wife of Mr. Wm. E., of Eastgate, 29 Nov., 1672. John, s. of Mr. Wm. E., of Eastgate, 4 Jan., 1672. Jane, d. of Cuthb. E., of Weerhead, 21 May, 1673. Anne, wife of Rob. E., of Smalebournes, 6 Aug., 1673. Wm., s. of Ralph E., of Billingsheele, 12 Aug., 1673. Cuthb. E., junior, of Weereshead, 21 Sep., 1673. Elinore, d. of Mr. Wm. E., of Eastgate, 26 Sep., 1673. Thos. E., of Sunderland, 20 Dec., 1673. Ann, wife of Geo. E., of Shirwinford, 7 Jan., 1673. Eldah, d. of Mr. Wm. E., of Eastgate, 9 Ap., 1674. Samuel E., of Forrest, 25 Ap., 1674. Geo., s. of Mr. Wm. E., of Eastgate, 29 May, 1674. Phillis, d. of John E., of Hotts, 25 July, 1674. Jane, d. of Cuthb. E., of Lingerigge, 8 Aug., 1674. Rob. E., of Smaleburnes, 1 Sep., 1674. Geo. E., of Smaleburnes, 2 Sep., 1674. Margery, d. of Ralph E., of Horseley, 16 Sep., 1674. Hen., s. of Cuthb. E., of Smaleburnes, 5 Jan., 1674 John, s. of John E., of Irehopburne, 18 Feb., 1674. Eliz., d. of Thos. E., of Allergill, 7 Mar., 1674. Wm. E., of Higland, 12 Mar., 1674. John E., of Weerhead, 4 Ap., 1675. Arthur E., of Wolsingham, 1 May, 1675. Wm. E., of Amblingate, 10 June, 1675. Geo., s. of Cuthb. E., of Smaleburnes, 10 Oct., 1675. Arthur E., of Stotfieldburne, 11 Oct., 1675. John E., of Burtreeford, 2 Nov., 1675. Cuthb. E., of Lingiridge, 1 Dec., 1675. John, s. of Thos. E., of Forrest, 1 Dec., 1675. Katherine, d. of John E., of Hottes, 28 Dec., 1675. Alice E., widow, of Burtreeford, 27 Jan., 1676. Anne, d. of Mr. Wm. E., of Eastgate, 17 Feb., 1676. John, s. of Geo. E., of Wereshead, 10 Mar., 1676. John, s. of Arthur E , of Ischopburne, 11 Ap., 1676. Margery E., widow, of Horseley, 17 June, 1676. Thos. E., of Allergill, 29 June, 1676. Margt. E., widow, of Windesides, 2 Sep., 1676. Mary, d. of Thos. E., of Allergill, 29 Sep., 1676. John E., of Windesides, 6 Oct., 1676. Ralph E., of Billingsheele, 3 Aug., 1677. Rob. E., of Highbishopsly, 15 Jan., 1677. Katherine, d. of Margt. E., of Billingsheele, 19 Jan., 1677. Eliz., wife of John E., of Stotfieldburne, 19 Ap., 1686. Elinor, d. of John E., of Stotfieldburne, 19 Ap., 1686. Thos. E., of Stotfieldburne, 7 June, 1686. Cuthb., s. of Cuth. E., of Smaleburnes, 7 June, 1686. Geo. E., of the Forrest, 30 June, 1686.

Burials, "in Wollin," in Stanhope. Grace E., of Eastgate, 21 Jan., 1677. John E., of Blackdeane, 7 Ap., 1678. Alice E., 22 Oct., 1679. Sarah E., 27 Jan., 1679. Geo. E., 3 Feb., 1679. Thos. E., 21 Feb., 1679. Grace E., 10 Mar., 1679. Thos., s. of Cuthbert E., of Smaleburnes, 15 Sep., 1679. Geo. E., of Wolsingham, 6 Dec., 1679. Geo. E., of Easterblackdeane, 8 July, 1681. Thos. E., 4 Jan., 1681. Ann E., 31 Mar., 1682. Eliz., d. of Cuthb. E., late of Kilhop, 11 Sep., 1685. John E., of Smaleburnes, 5 Oct., 1685. Geo. E., of Rukeup, 10 Mar., 1688. Ralph E., 9 May, 1687. Isabell E., 12 June, 1687. Jane E., 28 June, 1687. Thos. E., 1 Ap., 1688. Grace E., widow, of Newland, 29 June, 1688. Jonathan E., 3 Jan., 1688. Margt. E., of Newclose, 22 Mar., 1688. Geo. E., 31 Dec., 1689. John E., 21 Feb., 1689. Arthur E., 24 Mar., 1689. Mary E., of Ireshop Burn, 4 July, 1690. Thos., son of Thos. E., 30 Sep., 1690. Thos. E., of the Backside, 15 Nov., 1690. Jane E., wife of Arthur, of Dawdryshields, 3 July, 1693. Wm. E., of Small Burn, 29 May, 1694. Eliz., wife of Thos., of Etherlyclugh, 8 Aug., 1694. Anne, wife of Thos. E., of Ireshopeburn, 5 Oct., 1694. Mary, d. of Thos. E., of Ireshopeburn, 21 Nov., 1694. Mary, d. of John E., of Swinhopburn, 11 Jan., 1694. Cuthb. E., of Stanhope, 11 Feb., 1694. Jane, wife of Cuthb., of Arshopburn, 20 June, 1695. . . hn, s. of Cuthb., 29 Sep., 1695. Ann E., 25 Dec., 1695. John E., 9 Jan., 1695. Wife of Thos. E., of Burtryford, 11 Feb., 1696. Thos. E., of Burtryford, 14 Ap., 1697. Cuthb. E., householder, 8 May, 1697. Cuthbert E., of Fidler, 2 Mar., 1697. Jo. E., of Hartupburn, 6 Ap., 1698. Arthur E., of Gatecastle, 20 June, 1698. Thos., s. of John E., of Burtyford, 24 Sept., 1698. Jo.,

s. of John E., of ye Hill, 3 Nov., 1698. Nich. E., of Brotherlee, 13 Jan., 1698. Chatr. (?) E., of Newlandside, 11 Ap., 1699. Cuth. E., of Arshopeburn, 13 May, 1699. Mary, wife of John E., of ye Forrest, 24 June, 1699. Thos. E., of Arshopeburn, 8 July, 1699. John E., of Burtryford, 21 Feb., 1699.

STRANTON, 1580—1700.

Baptisms. George, s. of Francis E., 17 Sept., 1580. Anne, d. of Robert E., 23 Jan., 1580—1. Ambrose, s. of Francis E., 7 Ap., 1583. Ephani, d. of Robert E., 21 Oct., 1584. Thomas, s. of John E., 20 June, 1585. Guye, base s. of Thomas E., 20 Jan., 1585—6. Mary, d. of Robert E., 10 May, 1590. Thomas, s. of William E., 22 Dec., 1591. Jane, d. of William E., 7 Oct., 1593. Jane, d. of Symonde E., 11 Aug., 1594. George, s. of Robert E., 16 Feb., 1594—5. Margaret, d. of Symonde E., 19 Oct., 1595. Robert, s. of William E., 10 Ap., 1596. Phillip, s. of Symonde E., 8 May, 1597. Wm., s. of Symonde E., 24 Ap., 1598. Symonde, s. of Wm. E., 30 July, 1598. Lawrence, s. of Edward E., 13 Aug., 1598. [Part of 1599 illegible.] Robert, s. of Edward and Agnes E., 13 Jan., 1600—1. Christr., s. of Wm. E., 16 May, 1602. Isabell, d. of Edward E., 24 July, 1603. Isabell, d. of Wm. E., 14 Oct., 1604. Wm., s. of Edw. E., 5 Ap., 1606. John, s. of William E., of Stranton, 8 Feb., 1606—7. Eliz., d. of William E., of Stranton, 28 Feb., 1607—8. Robert, s. of Christr. E., of Breerton, 6 Mar., 1607—8. Meryall, d. of Godfrey E., of Breerton, 30 July, 1608. Christr., s. of Edward E., of Stranton, 18 Ap., 1609. Jane, d. of Godfrey E., of Breerton, 18 Feb., 1609—10. Frances, d. of Christr. E., of Breerton, 18 Mar., 1609—10. Raphe, s. of Wm. E., of Stranton, 4 Aug., 1610. Eliz., d. of Christr. E., of Breerton, 21 Ap., 1611. John, s. of Godfrey E., of Breerton, 6 Oct., 1611. Wm., s. of Wm. E., late of Stranton, decd., 16 June, 1612. Jane, d. of Christr. E., of Breerton, 15 Aug., 1613. Richard, s. of Godfrey E., of Breerton, 27 Mar., 1614. Godfrey, s. of John E., of Owton, 28 May, 1616. Ann, d. of Godfrey E., of Breerton, 6 Oct., 1616. Thomas, s. of Christr. E., of Breerton, 30 Dec. (?), 1616. Alice, d. of Godfrey E., of Breerton, 13 Sept., 1618. Isabell, d. of John E., of Owlton, 27 Sept., 1618. Wm., s. of Christr. E., of Breerton, 23 July, 1619. Symon, s. of John E., of Owlton, 29 Dec., 1619. Anthony, s. of Symon E., of Stranton, 24 June, 1622. Raphe, s. of Christr. E., of Breerton, 8 June, 1623. Mary, d. of Symon E., of Stranton, 2 Feb., 1623—4. Edward, s. of John E., of Breerton, 24 Jan., 1624—5. Ellen, d. of Simon E., of Stranton, 10 Ap., 1626. Eliz., d. of Christr. E., of Tunstal (?), 30 Sept., 1627. Rob., s. of John E., of Owton, 25 Nov., 1627. Eliz., d. of Simon E., of Stranton, 13 July, 1628. Isabell, d. of Geo. E., of Stranton, tailor, 28 Aug., 1628. Ann, d. of Christr. E., of Tunstal, 25 Ap., 1630. Lettice, d. of Simon E., of ——, 2 Jan., 1630—1. Eliz., d. of Geo. E., of Stranton, tailor, 21 Aug., 1631. Jane, d. of Simon E., of Stranton, 16 June, 1633. Anthony, s. of Geo. E., of Stranton, 9 Mar., 1633—4. John, s. of Geo. E., of Stranton, 1 Sept., 1635. Alice, d. of Simon E., of Stranton, 20 Dec., 1635. Christr., s. of Robert E., of Breerton, 3 Ap., 1636. Jane, d. of Christopher E., of Tunstall, 15 Jan., 1636—7. Eliz., d. of Geo. E., of Stranton, 5 Feb., 1636—7. John, s. of Lawrence E., of Stranton, 9 Aug., 1637. Thomas, s. of Geo. E., of ——, tailor, 21 Dec., 1637. Wm., s. of Symon E., of Stranton, 17 June, 1638. Christr., s. of Lawrence E., weaver, 24 Feb., 1638—9. Jane, d. of Geo. E., of Stranton, 17 May, 1640. Jane, d. of Lawrence E., of Stranton, 18 Ap. (?), 1641. Rob., s. of Symon E., of Stranton, 7 Nov., 1641. Alice, d. of Ch. E. [*sic*], 16 July, 1643. Symon, s. of Lawrence E., 4 Feb., 1643—4. Edward, s. of Lawrence E., of Stranton, 9 Ap., 1646. [Several gaps after 1646.]

Marriages. Bryan Harrison and Katherine E., 12 Oct., 1589. Wm. E. and Lettyce Johnson, 16 May, 1591. Edw. E. and Agnes Richardson, widow, 31 Jan., 1597—8. Brian Harrison and Jane E., 12 Feb., 1597—8. Ric. Norton, of Stranton, and Margt. E., d. of Rob. E., of Breerton, by lic., 9 Ap., 1601. John Harrison and Margt. E., 26 May, 1601. Thos. Renton and Grace E., of Breerton, 20 Ap., 1602. Raphe Olyver, of Claxton, and Agnes E., 27 Nov., 1604. Wm. Watsonne, of Fishburne, and Margt. E., of Breerton, 5 Feb., 1606—7. John E. and Jane Chilton, 26 May, 1611. John Harte, and Agnes E., 19 May, 1614. Cuthbert Raper, of Hartlepoole, and Jane E., of Stranton, 5 Dec., 1615. Symon E. and Eliz. Hall, both of S., 30 Oct., 1621. Raphe Sparke, of Greetham, and Margt. E., widow, of S., 28 Feb., 1624—5. Geo. E. and Elsabet Harison, both of S., 21 Oct., 1627. Ric. Tomson and Meriall E., both of S., 2 Feb., 1628—9. Gerard Potts, of B—— Wearmouth, and Isabell E., of S., 30 Jan., 1630—1. John Claxton, of Hartlepool, and Isabell E., of S., 27 . . ., 1631. Rob. E. and Margt. Crowe, both of S., 20 Nov., 1632. Thos. Swaswell and Eliz. E., both of S., 27 Oct., 1634. Lawrence E. and Elinor Atkin, both of S., 15 Nov., 1635. Geo. E. and Eliz. Stoutt, of S., 25 Oct., 1636.

Burials. Ambrose, s. of Francis E., 1 July, 1580. Guye, base s. of Thos. E., 9 May, 1586. Joan, d. of Rob. E., 22 Aug., 1587. Nic., s. of Rob. E., 14 Feb., 1587—8. Christ., s. of Thos. E., 9 June, 1589. Thos. E., 26 Feb., 1593—4. Philip, s. of Symon E., 2 June, 1597. John E., 17 July, 1597. Katherine, d. of Wm. and Lettyce E., 17 June, 1601. Rob. E., 14 Ap., 1604. Ephani, d. of Rob. E., 25 Mar., 1606. Lettice, wife of Rob. E., 29 Mar., 1606. John, s. of Wm. E., 15 Mar., 1606—7. Edw. E., 4 Aug., 1610. Jennet E., of Brerton, widow, 31 May, 1611. Raphe, s. of Wm. E., 20 June, 1611. Wm. E., husbandman, 28 Ap., 1612.

Baptisms. Rob., s. of Christr. E., of Brearton, 26 Nov., 1665. Anthony, s. of John E., of Seaton, 13 July, 1668. Isabel, d. of John E., of Seaton, 9 Oct., 1670.

Burials. Jane, d. of Christr. E., 23 Nov., 1653. Lawrence E., 17 Sept., 1658. Eliz., w. of Simon, 8 Jan., 1659—60. Jane E., 29 Nov., 1663. John E., of Seaton, blacksmith, 19 Oct., 1670. Anthony, s. of John E., 28 Nov., 1671. Elin. E., 7 Dec., 1671. Margt. E., 2 Oct., 1681. Chr. E., 11 Mar., 1681—2.

Marriages. John Stephenson, of Trimdon, and Isaabel E., of Stranton, 25 Nov., 1690.

HAMSTERLEY CHAPELRY, 1582—1640.

Baptisms. Jane, d. of Hen. E., 4 Mar., 1589. Eliz., d. of Rob. E., 7 Mar., 1610. [A child of] Raffe Emerson, ... [christened called] . . . . [the first letter looks like "W."], Mar., 1612. Kath., d. of Robt. E., 4 July, 1613. Eliz., d. of Raffe E., 25 Jan., 1617. Thos., s. of Rob. E., 16 June, 1621. Geo., s. of Ralfe E., 29 Sept., 1622. Thos., s. of Rob. E., 15 Dec., 1625. Allinson, d. of Ralfe E., 26 Feb., 1625. ——, s. of Rob. E., 17 Ap., 1626.

Marriages. Wm. Walton and Jane E., 17 Nov., 1594. Robt. E. and Alice Humble, 6 Nov., 1610. Raffe E. and Ane. Rippon, 12 July, 1612.

Burials. Agnes E., 1582. Maudeline E., wid., 9 Ap., 1592.

[Several of the entries all through this early register are almost too faint to be deciphered.]

ST. HELEN'S, AUCKLAND, 1593—1700.

Baptisms. Ralph, s. of Tobius E., 22 Feb., 1695. . . . . of Tobyas E., 17 Feb., 1698. Geo., s. of Tobyas E., 15 June, 1701.

Burials. Raufe E., 12 Feb., 1594.

WITTON-LE-WEAR. 1558—1640.

Baptisms. Wm. E., fil. illic. John E., 26 May, 1577. Eliz. E., illic. d. of Edw. E., 16 Sep., 1615. A dau. of Thomas E., 4 Nov., 1632. Eliz., d. of Thomas E., 17 Aug., 1634. Margaret, d. of Thomas E., 13 Mar., 1635. Thos., s. of Thomas E., 8 July, 1638. Christr., s. of Thomas E., 16 Feb., 1639.

Marriages. Chas. Wren and Charitie E., 9 June, 1629. Tho. E. and An. Crawe, by lic., 11 Dec., 1631.

Burials. Mary, d. of Thos. E., 23 Dec., 1640.

WOLSINGHAM.

Very few entries from 1631—1647. No Emersons among them. Earlier registers all missing.

ESCOMB, 1545—1640.

14 Ap., 1759. Will of Ezra Emmerson, late curate of this par., whereby he left £30 to the par. No other entries.

AYCLIFFE, 1560—1640.

Baptisms. Eliz. E., 4 March, 1593—4. Thos. E., 27 Nov., 1612. Margt. E., d. of Francis E., 24 Sept., 1620. Wm. E., son of same, 28 July, 1622. Geo., s. of John E., 11 Oct., 1629. Ellin, d. of John E., 18 Dec., 1631. Thos., s. of John E., 24 Nov., 1633. Margaret, d. of John E., 21 March, 1636—7. Ralphe, s. of John E., 2 Sept., 1638. Anne, d. of John E., 24 Feb., 1640.

Marriages. Geo. E. and Cicely Snawdon, 15 May, 1589. George E. and Anne Bennit, 4 July, 1637.

Burials. Raphe E., 9 Sept., 1583. John Emntson [*sic*], 7 Oct., 1583.

GREAT STAINTON, 1561—1640.

Marriages. William Emerso. and Jane Dobbin, 3 Aug., 1617.

CONISCLIFFE, 1590—1640.

Baptisms. Thos., s. of Geo. E., 18 Mar., 1632—3. Jane, d. of Geo. E., 10 Aug., 1634. Robt., son of Geo. E., 8 Jan., 1636—7.

Marriages. Geo. E. and Cicelie Burden, 26 Ap., 1629. Samuel Kiplin and Anne E., 11 May, 1634. Thos. E. and Anne Robinson, 9 Nov., 1638.

Burials. Margt., d. of Rich. E., 26 Feb., 1628—9. Ric. E., 24 Jan., 1634—5. Robt., s. of Geo. E., 15 Jan., 1639—40.

HURWORTH, 1559—1640.

Baptisms. Christopher Emer . . . (?), Aug., 1559.

Marriages. John E. and Anna Smith, 15 Sept., 1628.
Burials. Edmund Emason, 30 July, 1587. Marg. Emason, 15 July, 1587.

MERRINGTON, 1579—1640.

Marie, d. of Cuthb. Welles, vicar of Merrington, born 8 Sept, 1617. Mr. John Emerson, Mrs. Todd, Mrs. Pilkington, "susceptoribus ejus." Bap. 14 Sept., 1617.
Marriages. George E. and Annis Johnson, 16 Jan., 1599.

REDMARSHALL, CONTAINING CARLTON, 1564—1640.

Baptisms. Eliz., d. of Nicholas E., of Carlton, 31 Jan., 1629—30. Barbara, d. of same, 5 Oct., 1634. Wm., s. of same, 4 Dec., 1636. Janet, d. of same, 2 Dec., 1638. Ric., s. of same, 1 Feb., 1640—1. John, s. of same, 3 Ap, 1643.
Marriages. Robert E. and Mawde Lawson, 19 June, 1565. Nic. E. and Eliz. Johnson, 28 Nov., 1628.

BISHOP MIDDLEHAM, 1559—1640.

[First page torn.] Baptisms, nil. Marriages, nil.
Burials. Margaret E., 7 Feb., 1607.

HEIGHINGTON, 1570—1640.

Baptisms. John, s. of John E., 20 Feb., 1584. Alice, d. of Ric. E., 28 Jan., 1609. Jane, d. of same, 28 Feb., 1612. Marg., d. of same, 26 Mar., 1615. John, s. of John E., 25 May, 1623. Geo., s. of John E., 9 Oct., 1625. Geo., s. of Geo. E., 24 Feb., 1638. Christr., s. of Ralph E., 4 Oct., 1640.

Marriages. Gap in m. from 1574—1590. John E. and Eleanor Smith, 9 July, 1609. John Swinburne and Anne E., 7 Mar., 1640.

Burials, from 1559—1640. Margery E., 21 Aug., 1587. Rich. E., 24 Jan., 1605. Jane E., 14 June, 1607. John E., 20 Feb., 1611. Widow E., 26 May, 1613. Jane E., 11 Mar., 1613.

COCKFIELD.

On the outside of the Register is written 1575—1655, but inside there are no entries before 1652.

LONG NEWTON, 1564—1640 : Nil.

HAUGHTON LE SKERNE, 1569—1640.

Baptisms. Dorothea, E., 10 July, 1575. Edward E., 24 Ap., 1580. George E., 3 Oct., 1585. Thos., s. of Wm. E., 27 Nov., 1587. Eliz., d. of John E., 9 Feb., 1588—9. Margt., d. of Geo. E., 28 May, 1590. Eliz., d. of Wm. E., 12 July, 1590. Edw., s. of Thos. E., 15 Feb., 1591—2. Milo, s. of Wm. E., of Barmeton, 8 Dec., 1592. Margt., d. of Thos. E., of Burdon, 29 Sept., 1594. Francis, s. of Wm. E., 18 May, 1595. Hugh, s. of John E., 10 Aug., 1595. Brian, s. of Wm. E., of Barmeton, 4 June, 1598. Isabella, d. of same, 6 Dec., 1600. Rob., s. of same, 29 May, 1603. Wm., s. of Geo. E., of Barmeton, 24 Ap., 1612. Thos., s. of same, 8 Aug., 1613. [Gap in baps., 1612—1633.]

Marriages. Thos. E. and Agnes Leache, 19 Nov., 1571. John E. and Isabella Hudles, 15 Aug., 1583. Thos. Hewgill and Anne E., 8 May, 1589. Thos. E. and Eliz. Turner, 10 May, 1591. Martin E., of par. of Whitworth, and Eliz. Rawdon, of Burdon, 29 June, 1602. Thos. E., of Hillclose house, and Eliz. Parkinson, of Whesso, 2 June, 1605. Geo. E. and Margt. Stockdaill, of Barmeton, 4 Dec., 1610. [Gap in marr. from 1611—1633.]

Burials. Arthur, E., 24 July, 1578. Rob. E., 5 Ap., 1580. The wife of John E., 13 Oct., 1587. The wife of Thos. E., 30 Aug., 1590. Wm. E., 19 Feb., 1591—2. Ralph E., of Barmeton, 5 July, 1592. [Gap in bur., 1592—1633.] Geo. E., of Barmeton, 20 July, 1633. Christr. E., of Barmeton, 30 Feb., 1633—4. Wm., s. of Margt. E., widow, of Barmeton, 20 Ap., 1636. Edw. E., of Haughton, 11 Sept., 1640. 1680—1725 : Nil.

DARLINGTON, ST. CUTHBERT'S, 1590—1720.

Baptisms. Leonard, s. of Thos. E., 20 Mar., 1590. Eliz., d. of Thos E., 4 May, 1592. Gelion, d. of Thos. E., 1 Aug., 1593. Cicilia, d. of Rob. E., 29 Aug., 1593. Rob, s. of Thos. E., 28 July, 1594. Geo., s. of Thos. E., 16 Sept., 1595. Magdalena, d. of Thos. E., 6 Jan., 1596—7. Hen., s. of Wm. E., 24 Ap., 1597. Matthew, s. of Thos. E., 26 Feb., 1597—8. Margt., d. of Wm. E., of Clay Rowe, 19 Feb., 1598—9. Francis, s. of Thos. E., 4 June, 1599. Rob., s. of Rob. E., of Hill Close, 18 Mar., 1600—1. Geo. and Wm., ss. of Thos. E., of Hill Close, 10 Jan., 1601—2. Hen., s. of Thos. E., of Hill Close, 19 June, 1603 Thos., s. of Thos. E, of Hillclose, 3 July, 1604. Frances, d. of Thos. E., of Hillclose, 12 Nov., 1609. Lawrence, s. of Tho. E., of Hillclose, 22 July, 1612. Rob., s. of Rob. E., of Bongait in Dar., 28 Nov., 1624. Geo., s. of Rob. E., of Bongait, smith, 27 Mar., 1627. Anna, d. of Leonard E., of Hillclose, 25 Feb., 1627—8. Jane, d. of same, 9 Feb., 1628—9. John, s. of Rob. E., of Bondgait, 26 Ap., 1629. Francis, s. of Leonard E., of Bondgait, b. 7 Jan., bap. 17 Jan., 1629—30. Thos., s. of same, 27 Nov., 1631. Mary, d of Rob. E., of Bondgait, 29 Sep, 1633. Geo., s. of Leonard E., of Darlington, 15 Oct., 1633. Anne, d. of Leonard E., of Darlington, 27 Sep., 1635. Samson, s. of Rob. E., of Darlington, 20 Sep., 1635. Ric., s. of Rob. E., of Darlington, 15 Oct., 1637. Ric., s. of Leonard E., 8 Nov., 1637. Alice, d. of Rob. E., of Bondgait, 8 Mar., 1639—40. Matthew, s. of Thos. E., of Cockerton, 16 Jan., 1641—2. Leonard, s. of Rob. E., of Bondgait, 23 Ap., 1643. Thos., s. of Rob. E., of Dar., 15 Oct., 1644. Thos., s. of T. E., of Darlington, 29 Oct., 1655. . . . s. of Laurence E., of Darlington, 6 Nov., 1655. Ann, d. of Thos. E., of Darlington Headrow, 14 Mar., 1659—60. Wm., s. of Thos. E., of Hill Close House, 13 Jan., 1661—2. Ann, d. of Thos. E., of Fealde House, 13 Aug., 1663. Jane, d. of Francis E., of Dar., 29 Aug., 1683. Frances, d. of Francis E., of Dar., 10 Aug., 1686. John, s. of Francis E., of Dar., 15 Nov., 1688. Isabel, d. of Francis E., of Dar., 14 Aug., 1690. Lawrence, s. of Francis E., of Dar., 27 Mar., 1693—4. John, s. of Francis E., of Dar., 1 Aug., 1695.

Marriages. Edw. Elgye and Agnes E., 27 Jan., 1591—2. Rob. E. and Eliz. Stafford, 18 Dec., 1593. Wm. E. and Ann Talour, 26 Jan., 1596—7. Rob. E. and Dinah Barker, 12 July, 1624. Rob. Stainesby and Geliana Emerson, 24 Oct., 1626. John Hodgson and Eliz. E., 6 Nov., 1627. Rob. E. and Anna Sadler, 25 Nov., 1632. Francis E. and Jane Dawson, 1 Oct., 1633. Thos. E——, of Hillclose House, and Eliz. Bower, of Dar., — June, 1654, banns pub. 3 times, date of m. not given. John E., of Walworth, and Jane Marshall, of Coatesmoore, banns pub. Mar., 1655—6. Thos. Holmes and An. E., both of Dar., 2 July, 1677. Martin Anman and Alice E., both of Dar., 12 July, 1679. Francis E. and Ann Warde, both of D., 1 Nov., 1682. Thos. E., shoemaker, and Ruth Whorlton, of Blackwell, 1705.

Burials. Ralph E., 14 Dec., 1591. Cicilia, d. of Rob. E., 15 Dec., 1594. Geo., s. of Thos. E., 25 Sept., 1596. Magdalen, d. of Thos. E., 18 Ap., 1597. — Emerson (plague), 5 Aug., 1597. Dorothea E., 17 Aug., 1597. — Emerson, 21 Sep., 1597. — Emerson, 23 Sep., 1597. Francis, s. of Thos. E., 18 Nov., 1599. Wm. E., of Darlington, 10 Feb., 1599—1600. Wm., s. of Thos. E., of Hill Close, 23 Mar., 1601—2. Geo., s. of Thos. E., of Hill Close, 13 Ap., 1602. Rob. E., of Hoole House, 11 Oct., 1603. An infant of Thos. E., of Hillclose, 23 Oct., 1605. Isabella, wife of Thos. E., of Hillclose, 27 Feb., 1606 -7. Infant of Thos. E., of Hillclose, 1 Aug., 1608. Dina, wife of Rob. E., of Bondgait, 26 June, 1632. Geo., s. of Leonard E., of Darlington, 19 Oct., 1634. Samson, s. of Rob. E., of Darlington, 30 Aug., 1636. Matthew, s. of Thos. E., of Cockerton, 21 Sep., 1642. Leonard, s. of Rob. E., of Bondgait, 23 Sep., 1643. Mary, d. of Rob. E., of Dar., 20 Feb., 1644—5. Francis E., of Hillclose house, 12 Oct, 1648. Margt., wife of Hen. E., of Bondgate, 5 Nov., 1652. Henry E., of Bondgate, 11 Nov., 1652. Thos. E., of Hillclosehouse, gent., 22 Dec., 1653. Eliz. E., widow, 19 Aug., 1658. An., d. of Thos. E., 20 July, 1660. Frances, wife of Lawrence E., of Bondgate, 28 July, 1660. Michael E., of Cockerton, labourer, 17 Sep., 1666. Thos. E., of Cockerton, 11 Oct., 1667. Ann E., of Cockerton, widow, 1 Jan., 1674—5. Thos. E., 7 Feb., 1675—6. Lawrence E., of Dar., 7 Ap., 1687. Ann E., of Dar., 25 June, 1688. John, s. of Francis E., 18 July, 1689. John, s., and Ann, wife of Mr. Francis E., of Dar., 7 Aug., 1695. Henry E., of Brough, a stranger, 4 Mar., 16 8.

[No other Churches in Darlington with early registers.]

STAINDROP, 1635—1700.

Baptisms. Margt., d. of Thos. and Ellen E., of Shotton, 6 Nov., 1636. Eliz., d. of same, 2 Dec., 1638. Wm., s. of Wm. E., 4 Ap., 1641. Francis, s. of John and Eliz. E., 11 Ap., 1641. Charles, s. of Thos. and Ellen E., 6 May, 1641. Alice, d. of Wm. and Alice E., 11 Sept., 1642. Ellen, d. of Thos. and Ellen E., 29 Jan., 1642. Mary, d. of Peter and Anne E., 9 May, 1644. Eliz., d. of Wm. and Eliz. E., 10 Nov., 1644. Rob., s. of Peter E., 21 Feb., 1647. Geo., s. of Thos. E., of Shotton, 14 May, 1649. Jow. [*sic*], s. of Peter E., of Staindrop, 15 Aug., 1650. Thos., s. of Thos. E., of Shotton, 29 Jan., 1656—1. John, s. of Peter E., of Staindrop, 28 Mar., 1653. Francis, s. of Wm. E., of Langley Dale, 22 May, 1653. Cuthb., s. of Thos. E., of Shotton, born 24 Jan., bap. 31 Jan., 1653. John, s. of John E., of Shotton, 27 May, 1655. [Names very faint in this year.] Barnard, s. of John and Ellinor E., of Shotton, b. 11 Ap., bap. 19 Ap., 1657. James, s. of same, b. 2 May, bap. 8 May, 1659. Alice, d. of John E., jr., of Shotton, 27 Oct., 1661. Ellinor, d. of John E., of Shotton, 30 Oct., 1664. Mary, d. of John and Ellinor E., of Shotton, 8 Mar., 1667—8. Thos., s. of Wm. and Mary E., of S. [*sic*], 6 Dec., 1681. Ellinor, d. of Rob. and Mary E., of Raby, 27 Mar., 1683. Eliz., d. of Wm. and Mary E., of Staindrop, 25 Mar., 1684. Margt., d. of same, 19 Jan., 1687—8. Wm., s. of same, 4 Feb., 1690—1. Catherine, d. of Wm. and Margt. E., of Staindrop, 16 Feb., 1698—9.

Marriages. Geo. Sedgewicke and Jane E., 9 May, 1641. John E. and Margt. Bowren, of Shotton, 28 May, 1643. John E. and Sith. Appleby, 9 May, 1644. Wm. E. and Mary Turner, 24 June, 1680. Geo. Hodshon and Margt. E., 21 Nov., 1683. Wm. E. and Margt. Thornbarrow, 20 Jan., 1697—8.

Burials. Christr. E., of Langley, 27 Sept., 1639. Ralfe E., of Shotton, 8 Ap., 1640. ——, d. of John E., of Shotton, 18 Jan., 1640. Chas., s. of Thos. and Ellen E., of Shotton, 6 Mar., 1641. Eliz., wife of John E., of Shotton, 5 Sept., 1642. Margt., wife of John E., of Shotton, 25 Feb., 1643. Mary, d. of Peter E., of Staindrop, 22 Aug., 1644. Seth., wife of John E., of Shotton, 26 Aug., 1644. Ellinor, d. of Thos. E., of Shotton, bur. in ye Church, 14 Dec., 1647. Eliz. E., of Staindrop, 26 Feb., 1648. Margt. E., of Shotton, bur. in the Church, 30 Mar., 1650. John s. of Peter E., of Staindrop, 4 Jan., 1650. John, s. of Peter E., of Staindrop, 4 Ap., 1654. Barnard, s. of John E., of Shotton, 8 Oct., 1658. Peter E., of Staindrop, 9 Mar., 1666. John, s. of John E., of Shotton, 26 May, 1669. John E., jr., of Shotton, 11 Nov., 1670. Thos. E., of Shotton, 24 Aug., 1672. Joh. E., of Shotton, 5 Dec., 1673. Ellinor E., widow, of Shotton, 27 Sept., 1682. Ellinor E., widow, of Shotton, bur. in the Church, 26 Sept., 1684. Rob. E., 2 Jan., 1684. James E., of Raby, 8 June, 1697. Mary, wife of Wm. E., of Staindrop, 8 July, 1697.

DENTON, 1576—1640.

John E., married 14 Nov., 1596. [Wife's name not given.]

WITTON GILBERT, 1581—1640.

Marriages. Lawrence Wilkinson and Dorothea E., 13 Oct., 1582. Anthony Meaburne and Catharine E., 18 Feb., 1592. Nicholas E., of St. Margaret's, Durham, and Maria Robinson, of this parish (by lic.), 12 July, 1640.

Burials. Anna, d. of Ralph E., 1 Jan., 1581. Janeta E, 1 Aug., 1594. Ralph E., of Witton, died 7 Aug., bur. 12 Aug., 1606.

SHERBURN HOSPITAL.

Dec. 17, 1789. Paul Emmerson admitted In-brother of Sherburn Hospital from Framwellgate, Durham City. No entries before. Many records lost.—H. A. M.

EMBLETON, 1650—1752.

Baptisms. John, s. to Thomas and Emma E., 25 May, 1656.

Marriages. Thomas E. and Hanna Hutchinson in the chappell of Elmedon, by Robert Bonner, Minister, ..., 1655. Thomas E. and Margaret Clark, of the Whin houses, 7 Oct., 1656.

Burials. Hanna, wife of Thomas E., of West Morton, ..., 1655.

ST. MARY'S, GATESHEAD, 1559—1640.

Baptisms. Elizabeth E., 13 Mar., 1574. Jo., s. to Jo. E., 1 July, 1634. Raiph, s. to Raiph E. als. Hele (*sic*), 21 Feb., 1636. An., d. to Ra. E., 6 Jan., 1638.

Marriages. Thomas E. with Jannette Pye, 22 Nov., 1564. Richard E. with Agnes Atkinson, 4 July, 1574. Robert White with Elzabeth E., 6 Oct., 1611. George Browne with Isable E., Mar. 12, 1634.

Burials. Richard E, 9 April, 1575. Agnes E., ye last of June, 1600 (twice entered). Elizabeth E., ye 23 Jan., 1612. John, s. to Jo. E., 6 Mar, 1638 (twice entered).

NORTON. Baps. 1615—1635: 1624, Rob. fil. Robertus Emerson.

ELWICK HALL. Baps. 1615—1635: 1628, 25 Jan., Anne, d. of . . . E., of Stotfold.

RYTON. (All) 1581—1640: Bap., Bettrice, d. of Edmonde E., of Winlaton, 7 Feb., 1615.

EBCHESTER. (All) 1609—1640: Nil.

HARTLEPOOL. Baps. 1615—1635: Nil. Mars.: 1631, John Clayton and Eliz. E.

GRINDON. Baps. 1615—1635: Nil.

HART. Baps. 1615—1635: Nil.

WINSTON. Baps. 1615—1635: Nil. Burs.: 23 Sept., 1696, John E. Rev. John E. rector in 1754.

WHORLTON. Baps. 1680—1720: Ann, d. of Charles E.

MEDMOSLEY. Nil up to 1640.

TANFIELD (Chaplery). No register before 1640.

TRIMDON. No register before 1640.

BISHOPTON. No register before 1640.

ESSHE. No register before 1640.

SATLEY (Chaplery). No register before 1640.

MUGGLESWICK. No register before 1640.

BARNARD CASTLE, 1609–1640.

Baptisms. Jane, d. of Robt. E., jr., 29 May, 1610. Charles (?), s. of Thos. E., 9 Dec., 1610. Jane, d. of Cuthbert E., 26 May, 1611. Phyllis, d. of Arthur E., 4 Aug., 1612. Margt., d. of Rob. E., jr., 17 Jan., 1612–13. Isabel, d. of Thos. E., 24 June, 1613. Wm., s. of Cuth. E., 18 May, 1614. Ellinor, d. of Arthur E., 24 May, 1614. Jane, d. of Arthur E., 14 Jan., 1615—16. Phillis, d. of Rob. E., 3 Mar., 1615—16. Ann, d. of Rob. E., 4 July, 1619. Eliz., d. of Thos. E., 15 Sept., 1619. Ann, d. of Arthur E., 13 June, 1621. Ellinor, d. of Thos. E., 27 June, 1621. Thos., s. of Cuth. E., 10 Ap., 1622. Charles s. of Thos. E., 28 Sept., 1623. Isabel, d. of Arthur E., 6 Jan., 1623—4. Mary, d. of Cuth. E., 31 Dec., 1624. Philip, s. of Arth. E., 26 July, 1626. Phillis, d. of Thos. E., 9 Ap., 1627. Jane, d. of Thos. E., 15 Nov., 1628. Geo., s. of Arthur E., 18 Jan., 1628—9. Sara, d. of Arthur E., 21 Aug., 1631. Mary and Jane, ds. of Arthur E., 16 Ap., 1635. Geo., s. of Thos. E., 22 Jan., 1636—7. Wm., s. of Thos. E., 19 June, 1637.

Marriages, 1619—1640. Rob. Bowton and Phillis E., 30 July, 1632. Thos. Ripley and Alice E., 28 Sept., 1632. Thos. E. and Faith Dawson, 24 Nov., 1633. Thos. E. and Elinor Wytton, 25 Sept., 1635. Rich. Collinge and Margt. E., 10 July, 1636. Wm. Barnes and Ellinor E., 25 Ap., 1627. Arthur E. and Eliz. Glover, 28 Nov., 1639. Christr. E. and Ellinor Railton, 12 Aug., 1640.

Burials, 1617. Rob. E., junior, 4 Jan., 1619. Thos. E., 16 Ap., 1620. Rob., s. of Cuth. E., 15 Nov., 1620. Ann, d. of Rob. E., 8 Aug., 1622. Phillis, d. of Thos. E., 18 Ap., 1627. Chas., s. of Thos. E., 12 Jan., 1629—30. Isabell, wife of Thos. E., 25 Sept., 1631. Edw. E., of Whorleton, 17 Dec., 1633. Faith, wife of Thos. E., 1 Jan., 1634—5. Geo., s. of Arthur E., 21 Ap., 1636.

Baptisms, 1687—1720. Francis, s. of Christopher E., 1687. George, s. of Thomas E., 1688. John, s. of Charles E., 1688. William, s. of Cuthbert E., 1688. Thomas, s. of Thomas E., 1688. William, s. of Cuthbert E., 1690. Margaret, d. of John E., 1690. John, s. of Thomas E., 1690. Joseph, s. of Thomas E., 1690. Ezra, s. of Charles E., 1691. Tabitha, d. of Charles E., 1694. John, s. of Thomas E. (mason), 1694. Mary, d. of Charles E., 1696. John, s. of Thomas E., jr., 1697. Margaret, d. of Thomas E., 1698. William, s. of Charles E., jr., 1699. Elizabeth, d. of Thomas E., jr., 1699. Robert, s. of Charles E., 1701. Margaret, d. of Thomas E., 1701. Thomas, s. of Thomas E., 1703. Mary, d. of Arthur E., 1704. Mary, d. of Charles E. (Westwick), 1704. George, s. of Thomas E., 1705. William, s. of Thomas E., jr., 1707. George, s. of Thomas E., 1707. Javel (?), s of Robert E., 1711. Robert, s. of Thomas E., 1719. Arthur, s. of Francis E., 1721. Frances, d. of Thomas E., 1723. Richard, s. of Francis E., 1723. Thomas, s. of John E., 1723. Elizabeth, bastard, 1724. Robert, s. of Francis E., 1724. Hannah, d. of John E., 1724 Mary, d. of William E., 1725. Helen, d. of John E., 1726. Francis, s. of Francis E., 1727. Margaret, d. of William E., 1728. Charles, s. of John E., 1728. Mary, d. of Francis E., 1728. Charles, s. of William E., 1731.

SEDGEFIELD, 1611—1895.

Baptisms. Elizabetha filia Johis E. de Sedgefeild tricesimo die Octob., 1611. Johannes fil. Johannis E. de Sedgefeild quinto die Februarij. 1613. Jana filia Johanis E. de Sedgefeild Aprilis 21, 1616. Radus. fil. Johis E. de Westmurton 10 Augustij, 1641. Allicia fil. Wilmi. E., March 22, 1712. Tho. fil. Wilmi. E., July 24, 1714. Pelvus fil. Pelvi E. de Sedgefield, Jan. 20, 1750. Jane fil. Pelvi E. de Sedgefield, Jan. 12, 1755. Radulphus fil. Johis E. de Fishburn. March 1, 1755. Margaret, d. of Peter E., of Sedgefield, Oct. 9, 1757. Mary, d. of John E. and Mary his wife, of Sedgefield, Sept. 28, 1777. Ann, d. of John E. and Mary his wife, of Sedgefield, Aug. 2, 1783. Elizabeth, d. of John E. and Ann his wife, of Sedgefield, Feb. 11, 1788. Margaret, d. of John and Ann E, March 30, 1795. John Burlinson, s. of George Burlinson, of Sedgefield, millwright, native of St. Helen Auckland, by his wife Mary, d. of John E., of Sedgefield, by his wife Mary, Dec. 28, 1807. Robert, 1st boy, s. of John Johnson E., of Sedgefield, gardener, native of Etherley, in the parish of Eskham, by his wife Margaret, d. of John Lewis by Eleanor his wife, April 22, 1808. John, 2nd s of John Johnson E., of Sedgefield, gardener, native of Eskham, by his wife Margaret, Dec. 25, 1809. Margaret, 4th child 2nd d. of John Johnson E., of Sedgefield, gardener, by his wife Margaret, d. of John and Eleanor Lewis, of London, Aug. 4, 1811. Feb. 17, 1813, Eleanor, d. of John Johnson and Margaret E., of Sedgefield, gardener. Dec. 31, 1814, Elizabeth, d. of John Johnson and Margaret E., of Sedgefield. May 31, 1818, Mary, d. of John Johnson and Margaret E., of Sedgefield. Aug. 27, 1820, Thomas, s. of John Johnson and Margaret E., of Sedgefield. Sept. 27, 1822, Henry, s. of John Johnson and Margaret E., of Sedgefield. Feb. 15, 1829, Jane Ann, d. of Robert and Margaret E., of Sedgefield, gardener. May 4, 1831, Hannah, d. of Robert and Margaret E., of Sedgefield. May 30, 1833, John Johnson, s. of Robert and Margaret E., of Sedgefield, labourer. March 3, 1846, Hannah Maria, d. of John and Mary E., of Sedgefield, gardener. May 23, 1847, John Johnson, s. of John and Mary E., of Sedgefield. July 14, 1850, William, s. of John and Mary E., of Sedgefield. March 14, 1852, Jane Ann, d. of John and Mary E., of Sedgefield. July 30, 1860, Margaret, d. of Thomas and Jane E., of Sedgefield, joiner. Oct. 11, 1862, Mary, d. of Thomas and Jane E., of Sedgefield. Oct. 5, 1864, John, s. of Thomas and Jane E., of Sedgefield. The last three are at present living in Sedgefield.

Marriages. Johannis Emerson (very indistinct) et Elizabethæ (surname quite illegible) de Sedgefeild xv. Januarij, 1610. N.B.—Foxton entered in Sedgefield Register. Jan. 8, 1683, William Richardson and Dorothy E. May 22, 1716, Septimus Thompson et Ana E. Feb. 24, 1723, Wilmus. E., parish de Grusborough, and Jane Grievson. Oct. 9, 1726, Josephus E. and Maria Merriman, both of Sedgefield. May 27, 1728, Robertus Cust and Eliza E., both of Sedgefield. May 10, 1739, Christopherus E. de Trimdon and Isabella Wray. May 15, 1753, Josephus E., par. de St. Oswald, and Eliza Brown. Feb. 7, 1758. John Lumsdon and Ann E., both of this parish. Oct. 16, 1770, Richard Pickering, of the parish of St. Andrew Auckland, and Jane E., of this parish. Dec. 10, 1775, John E. and Mary Reed, both of this parish. Witness Peter E. Jan. 15, 1787, John E. and Ann Wilson, both of this parish. Nov. 2, 1790, George Shields and Jane E., both of this parish. Dec. 13, 1806, George Burlington, of the parish of St. Helen Auckland, and Mary E., of this parish. May 22, 1820, William E., of the parish of Kelloe, bachelor, and Hannah Hunter, of this parish. April 23, 1832, John Kirtley and Margaret E., both of this parish. May 2, 1835, Robert Etherington and Ann E., both of this parish. July 21, 1835, William Davison, of Stockton, and Ellen E., of Sedgefield. Witnesses, John E. and Will. E. June 8, 1848, Francis E., farmer, of Tinsdale (par. Kelloe), s. of William E., farmer, and Margaret Kilburn, of Fishburn. Witness Hunter E. Feb. 9, 1858, Thomas E., widower, s. of John Johnson E., and Jane Hallimond, d. of William Hallimond, both of Sedgefield.

Burials. John E. de Sedgefield, June 4, 1700. Humphredus E., April 24, 1710. Jana E., Nov. 2, 1710. Anna E., Nov. 6, 1711. Wilmus E., Dec. 6, 1715. Jana uxor Johannis E. de Sedgefield, Dec. 8, 1726. Maria fil. Johannis E. de Sedgefield, July 3, 1731. Johannes E. de Sedgefield, March 22, 1744. Mary, wife of John E., of Sedgefield, Sept. 26, 1783. John, s. of John and Ann E., of Sedgefield, May 29, 1793. Peter E., of Sedgefield, Aug. 2, 1793. Isabella E., widow, of this parish, died March 13, bur. March 15, 1802, aged 95 years. Peter E., of this parish, Weaver, died April 30, bur. May 2, 1802, aged 51 years (sudden death). John E., of Sedgefield, Sept. 1, 1822, aged 74 years. Jane Ann E., of Sedgefield, Jan. 21, 1825, aged 19 years. Robert E., of Sedgefield, Feb. 4, 1831, aged 90 years. John Johnson E., of Sedgefield, Feb. 24, 1841, aged 58 years. John Johnson E., of Sedgefield, Sept. 29, 1851, aged 4 years. William E., of Sedgefield, Sept. 9, 1855, aged 5 years. Mary E., of Sedgefield, March 20, 1856, aged 47 years. Jane Ann E., of Sedgefield, March 23, 1856, aged 4 years. Elizabeth E., of Sedgefield, June 4, 1857, aged 41 years. Hannah Maria E., of Sedgefield, June 28, 1857, aged 11 years. Margaret E., of Monk Hesleton, March 24, 1858, aged 31 years. Margaret E., of Sedgefield, Feb. 17, 1860, aged 76 years. Ann E., of County Asylum, July 18, 1866, aged 66 years. John E., of Sedgefield, April 25, 1870, aged 60 years. William E., of County Asylum, June 26, 1882, no age given. Jane E., of Sedgefield, Sept 11, 1885, aged 59 years. William E., of County Asylum, July 15, 1889, aged 38 years. Thomas E., of Sedgefield, Feb. 27, 1894, aged 73 years.

WHICKHAM, 1582—1640.

Baptisms. Richard E., 17 June, 1592. Mary E., 12 Mar., 1595. Thomas E., 11 Sept., 1602. Robert E., 17 April, 1604. John E., 14 Aug., 1606. Cuthbert E., 6 July, 1607. Ellinour, d. of Henry E., 16 Nov., 1610. Elizabeth, d. of Henry E., 17 Aug., 1614. Will., s. of John E., 6 Dec., 1617. Thomas, s. of John E., 17 July, 1619. Susana, d. of John E., 10 Sept., 1625. Geo., s. to John E., 11 Sept., 1631. Mary, d. of John E., 14 Aug., 1636. Ellenour, d. of Rob. E., 5 Nov., 1637. Jane, d. of Rob. E., 4 Aug., 1639.

Marriages. Henry E. and Jane Wilson, 17 Mar., 1603. Will E. and Frances Yea (or Kay) . . . ., 1610. John E. and Elizabeth Hugill, 16 June, 1616. George E., and Margaret Harrison, 17 June, 1618. Dick (or Mich.) Ogle and Mary E., Oct. 28, 1627. Robert Hind and Elloner E. 7 June, 1635. William Preston and Eliz. E., 30 June, 1639.

Burials. Jane E., 25 April, 1582. Thomas E., 21 May, 1582. Dorothy E. 22 April, 1600. Henry E., 7 Oct., 1602. John E., 15 July, 1604. Jane E., 19 July, 1604. Edward E., 5 Aug., 1604. Mabell E., 30 Sept., 1604. John E., 10 May, 1612. Dan. (Don.) E., 6 July, 1613. Elizabeth E., 6 Sept., 1616. Alice E., 26 Dec., 1627. Rowland E., 17 Jan., 1632.

DURHAM CATHEDRAL (Harleian Soc. Pub.).

Marriages. 1666, Nov. 27, John Thompson et An E., both of Stanhope, with lic.; Dtr. Basiere. 1669, July 2, Thomas Watson uxorem duxit Isabellam E. 1671, Oct. 30, Georgius E. uxorem duxit Janam Russells. 1679, April 10, Gulielms E. uxorem duxit Margaretam Smelt, vidua. Sept. 20, Cuthbertus Thompson uxorem duxit Eliz. E., Dec. 30, Johes. Peirson uxore. duxit Eliz. E. Jan. 29, Georgius E. uxorem duxit Anna Adamson. 1701, Sept. 23, Jo. Watson and Mary E., of Stanhope. Their eldest child "Ann, dau. of John Watson, of Thimbleby in Stanhope," bap. there 30 June, 1702. 1709, Oct. 6, James Fynney, D.D., Prebendary of Durham, and Jane Newhouse, relict of ye late Register Newhouse. See his burial, 13 March, 1726—7. She, widow of Mr. Newhouse, Registrar to the Dean and Chapter, remarried Anthony E. 1717, Feb. 12, John Morgan and Isabel E., of Stanhope. Their eldest child, "John Pilkinton, son of Mr. John Morgan, of Langlee," bap. 10 Dec., 1718, at Stanhope. Later he is described in the register as of New Park. 1719, May 24, Geo. E. and Anne Stot, both of the Parish of Woolsingham. 1720, June 18, George E. and Elizabeth Burden, both of Lanchester. Feb. 19, Christopher E. and Eliz. Walton, both of Hamsterly. 1722, Oct. 26, Obadiah E., of Stanhope, and Hanna Dickinson, of Alstone. 1734, July 3, Ralph E. and Dorothy Beach, both of Gainforth, Dioc. Dur. 1748, Dec. 26, Robert Wolfe and Margaret E., both of St. Nicholas in Durham. A son of this marriage was Alderman John Wolfe, whose burial see 30 May, 1832. 1751, Nov. 2, Michael Arrowsmith and Mary E., both of Barnard Castle. 1752, Feb. 4, George E., of Rombald-Kirk in Richmond, and Alice Gascoigne, of All-Saints, Newcastle upon Tyne, by lic.

Burials. 1618, Dec. 5, John E., gent., was bur. in the cathedrall. 1806, April 24, Elizabeth Hutchinson, housekeeper to Dr. Zouch. Dr. Zouch was one of the Prebendaries, and Rector of Wycliffe-on-Tees. He married firstly Isabella, dau. and coheir of the Rev. John Emerson, Rector of Winston, whose other dau. and coheir Frances Emerson married Thomas Emerson Headlam, Esq., father of the late Archdeacon Headlam. He married secondly Aug., 1808, at Sandall, near Wakefield, Miss Brooke, sister of William Brooke, Esq., of Wakefield, the Doctor being then about 73. He died aged 80, at Sandal, 17 Dec., 1815.

BRANCEPETH, 1599—1642.

Baptisms. July 24, 1624, Eleanor, d. of John E., of Brancepeth. Sept. 17, 1626, Jayne, d. of John E., of Brancepeth. Oct. 19, 1628, John, s. of John E., of Brancepeth. Sept. 12, 1630, Richard, s. of Martin and Isabella E. Oct. 31, 1630, Ann, d. of John and Margaret E. Aug. 26, 1632, Henry, s. of Martin and Isabella E., of Brancepeth. Sept. 27, 1632, Thomas, s. of Nicholas and Elizabeth E., of Brancepeth. Nov. 15, 1634, Eleanor, d. of Martin and Isabella E., of Brancepeth. Jan. 14, 1635, Margaret, d. of John and Margaret E., of Brancepeth. Sept. 29, 1636, Nicholas, s. of Martin and Isabella E., of Brancepeth. Sept. 19, 1638, Maria, d. of Martin and Isabella E., of Brancepeth. Nov. 23, 1641, Mary, d. of John E., of Brancepeth. Feb. 29, 1642, John, s. of Martin E., of Brancepeth. Mar. 11, 1643, Margt., d. of Martin and Isabella E., of Brancepeth.

Marriages. May 9, 1602, George Thomson and Isbell E. June 18, 1609, Margaret E. and John Rayne. Oct. 10, 1623, John E. and Margaret Pallecer. Ap. 4, 1627, Christopher E. and Mary Thompson. Oct. 13, 1629, Martin, s. of Richard E., of Brancepeth, and Isabella, d. of Ralph Mason.

Burials. Dec. 30, 1600, Malley E., of Brancepeth. Jan. 3, 1616, Arthur E. Aug. 30, 1627, George, s. of Richard E., of Brancepeth. Nov. 8, 1636, Richard E., of Brancepeth, æt. 80, bur. in Churchyard. Mar. 21, 1636, Jane, wife of Richard E., of Brancepeth. July 10, 1637, Nicholas, s. of Martin E., of Brancepeth.

LAMESLEY (commencement to 1640).

Baptisms. 1622, Simon fil. Nicholai E., bap. fuit decimo die Novembris. 1623, Maria fil. Gulielmi E., bap. fuit quinto die Aprilis. 1624, Nicholaus fil. Gulielmi E., bap. fuit decimo sexto die Januj. 1626, Isabella fil. Phillippi E., bap. fuit duodecimo die Martij. 1626, Ellonore fil. Johannis E., bap. fuit decimo sexto die Julij. 1626, Isabella fil. William E., bap. fuit quarto die Januarij. 1627, Johannes fil. Phillippi E., bap. fuit decimo sexto die (month not given). 1628, Gulielmus fil. Gulielmi E., bap. fuit nono die Martij. 1632, Jane fil. Johannis E., bap. fuit eodem die p.dicto. 1635, Jane fil. Georgij E., bap. fuit tricesimo die Martij. 1638, Doritij fil. Johannis E. de Coxclose, bap. fuit duodecimo die Augustij. 1640, Anna fil. Johannis E., bap. fuit vicesimo primo die Julij.

Marriages. 1625, Phillipp E. nupt. fuit cum uxore ejus Ellenore. Gibson, decimo nono die Janij. 1636, Radulphus E. nupt. fuit cu. uxore ejus Ellenore. Todd, decimo nono die Maij. 1637, Willimus Stobbes nupt. fuit cu. uxore ejus Ellenore. E., duodecimo die Maij.

Burials. 1622, Johannes fil. Gulielmi E., sepul. fuit vicesimo nono die Decembris. 1623, Maria fil. Gulielmi E., sepul. fuit vicesimo septimo die Junij. 1624, Soror Willim E., sepul. fuit octavo die Novembris. 1629, Phillippus E., sepul. fuit vicesimo die Julij. 1635, Johannes E., de Coxclose, sepul. fuit vicesimo quarto die Martij Anno Dom.

1635, Isabella fil. Willimi E , sepul. fuit vicesimo tertio die Maij. 1635, Robertus Emerson, sepul. fuit quinto die Julij. 1638, Willimus E., de Cowsiug's hill (now spoken of as Loosing), sepul. fuit decimo die ffebruarij. 1638, Jane fil. Johannis E., nuper defuncti, sepul. fuit vicesimo septimo die Januarij. [This last entry of interment in January follows that which is entered as having taken place in February.]

LONDON AND MIDDLESEX REGISTERS.

Allegations for Marriage Licences issued by the Vicar-General of the Archbishop of Canterbury, 1663 to 1694. (Harleian Soc. Pub.)

1663, April 17, Francis E., of Trinity Parish, London, Factor, bachelor, about 28, and Hester Tyte, spr., about 23, with consent of her father, Henry Tyte, of Little Lynford, Bucks, yeoman; at Gothurst or Great Lynford, Bucks, or Great Allhallows, Northampton. 1663, Nov. 12, John Chatwin, of Woolwich, Kent, Shipwright, bachr., about 26, and Elizabeth E., of Dartford, Kent, spr., about 27, at own disp.; at St. Gregory's, Lond. 1665, Mar. 25, William Michel, of St. Sepulchre's, Lond., Carpenter, bachr., about 25, and Elizabeth E., spr., about 22, da. of Robt. E., of St. Alban's, Wood Street, Lond., Cloth Drawer, who consents; at St. Olave's, Southwark. 1669–70, Jan. 13, Thomas Warkhouse, of St. Mary, Savoy, Citizen and Stationer, alleges marriage of John Stubbing, of (blank), London, Citizen and Haberdasher, bachr., about 28, and Lydia E., of Hatfield in ye Broadock, co. Essex, spr., about 21, her mother's consent; at Netswell, co. Essex. 1669–70, Feb. 19, Benjamin Archer, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, Midd., gent., bachr., about 20 (with his father's consent), and Jane E., of St. Clement Danes, Midd., spr., about 21, with consent of her mother; at St. Paul's, Covent Garden, Midd. (This entry cancelled and marked "Vacat.") 1670—1, Feb. 13, Robert Alton, of St. Giles, Cripplegate, Lond., Butcher, bachr., about 24, and Mrs. Elizabeth E., of the same, about 24, at own disp.; at St. Alphage, London. 1674, July 7, Nicholas E., of Thisleworth, Middx., Gardener, bachr., about 25, and Anne Warren, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, Middx., wid., about 25, alleged by Nicholas Soares, of Thisleworth; at St. Martin's afsd., or St. Augustin's, Lond. 1675, Oct. 20, Richard Nicholson, of St. Mary Somersett, Lond., Cit. and Haberdasher, bachr., about 32, and Katherine E., of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, co. Middx., wid., about 30; at St. Mary Magdalen, Old Fish Street, London. 1677, Aug. 23, John E., of St. Matthew, Friday Street, Lond., bachr., about 30, and Anne Price, of St. Olave's, Hart Street, Lond., spr., about 21, with her mother's consent; at St. Olave's afsd., alleged by James Hadley, of St. Olave's afsd., Psh. Clerk. 1679, May 1, John E., of St. Leonard, Shoreditch, co. Middx., Victualler, widr., about 40, and Elizabeth Calthropp, of the same, wid., about 50; at St. Leonard, Shoreditch, afsd., alleged by Michael Tooley, of St. Leonard afsd., Cit. and Vintner. 1690, May 29, Ralph E., of St. Paul, Shadwell, Midd., gent., bachr, aged 21, and Elizabeth Kemball, of the same, spr., about 17, with consent of the parents of both; alleged by Thomas Somerly, of St. Paul's afsd., Psh. Clerk; at St. Paul's, Shadwell.

St. Peter's, Cornhill, Vols. I. and II., 1538—1774.

Marriages. 1635, Sept. 1, Jon. E., Curate of Horsham, and Margery Poulson (lic.).

St. Mary Aldermary, 1558–1754.

Marriages. 1617, Nov. 1, George E. and Elizabeth Gill.

Burials. 1621, Aug. 24, a young child of George E., lieng in Rowland Burfeild, in Bowe Lane.

St. Thomas Apostle, 1558—1754.

Baptisms. 1590, May 10, John, s. of Robert E.

St. Michael, Cornhill, 1546—1754.

Burials. 1593, June 9, Dorithe E., d. of Willm. 1736, Aug. 28, Martha E., a pensioner; in the churchyard.

Charterhouse Chapel. Nil.

Visitation of Norfolk, 1563, 1589, 1613. Nil.

St. James, Clerkenwell, 1551—1754.

Baptisms. 1609, Feb. 11, Mary, d. of George E. 1611, Aug. 4, Alice, d. of George E. 1612, Nov. 25, John, s. of Godfrey E. 1614, Dec. 26, Joane, d. of Godfrey E. 1618, May 3, Edward, s. of John E. 1618, Jan. 10, Anne, d. of John E. 1622, Jan. 12, Mathewe, s. of John E. and Annis his wife. 1633, Feb. 16, Willm., s. of Thomas E. 1638, July 15, Anne, d. of John E. 1639, Jan. 26, Susan, d. of John E. and Ann. 1641, Feb. 6, Eliz., d. of John E. and Ann. 1643, July 30, Allyce, d. of John E. and Ann. 1645, Oct. 19, Margery, d. of John E. and Ann. 1647, Sept. 5, Grace, d. of John E. and Ann. 1685, Aug. 3, Eliz., d. of Ellin E., vid. 1718, Mar. 21, Joseph, s. of Joseph and Elizabeth E. 1720, June 23, Anne, d. of Joseph and Eliz. E. 1721, Feb. 18, Ann, d. of Joseph and Eliz. E. 1723, July 18, Thomas, s. of Joseph and Eliz. E. 1727, April 6, Jane, d. of Joseph and Mary E. 1729, April 4, Joseph and Mary, twins of Joseph and Mary E. 1730, Feb. 14, Joseph, s. of Joseph and Mary E., born 12 Feb.

Marriages. 1618, Nov. 30. Richard Frisbey and Margaret E. 1625, Jan. 29, John E. and Grace Burleigh. 1637, May 29, John E. and —— Herman. 1659, Oct. 16, Richard Wayne and Anne E. 1664, Oct. 18, Henry Lilliwhite and Susan E. 1667, Dec. 27, John E. and Martha Knight. 1668, Jan. 24, Daniell Eustoles and Mary E. 1725, May 18, Joseph E., widr., and Elizabeth Garness, both of this parish, single; by Mr. Walker (Banns). 1726, June 8, Joseph E., widr., and May Ball, spr., both of this par. (B). 1741, Feb. 25, William Olive and Mary E. (Banns).

Burials. 1587, Oct. 26, George E. 1614, Mar. 15, Joane, d. of Godfrey E. 1619, Oct. 22, Alice, d. of John E. 1624, Nov. 15, Mathew, s. of John E. 1625, Aug. 1, (blank) s. of John E. 1625, Aug. 6, Elizabeth, d. of John E. 1625, Aug. 18, Ann, d. of John E. 1626, April 17, John E., householder. 1642, May 12, Eliz., d. of John E. 1649, May 17, Grace, d. of John E. 1651, Jan. 22, John, s. of Wm. E. 1657, July 26, John E., householder. 1671, Oct. 31, Thomas, s. of John E. 1679, Dec. 15, Ane E., a pore woman, a Pentinor. 1703—4, Jan. 2, Jane E., a pentr. 1719, Mar. 25, Joseph E., Wood's Close, Old Ground. 1720, Sept. 21, Ann Emberson, Wood's Close, Old Ground. 1722, Nov. 20, Anne E., Northampton Street, Wood's Close, Old Ground. 1725, July 28, Elizabeth E., Wood's Close, Old Ground. 1725, March 17, Anne E. 1727, Sept. 26, Eliz. E. 1729, April 27, Joseph E., Mutton Lane. 1729, Oct. 6, Jos. E., Mutton Lane. 1740, Mar. 29, Francis E., St. John's Court; aged 57. 1745, Apr. 23, John E., Islington, Infant. 1748, Oct. 18, John E., Turnmill Street, Infant, New Ground.

St. Antholm, Budge Row, and St. John Baptist on Walbrook: Nil.

St. George, Hanover Square, 1725—1809.

Marriages. 1760, Dec. 31, Thomas Halladay, b., and Amey E., s., L.A.C. 1762, Nov. 11, Matthew E., b., and Ann Bywater, s., L.B.L. 1768, Apr. 25, William E., b., and Eliz. Hicks, s. 1770, Nov. 20, John E., of this parish, and Mary Beardsley, of Beddington, co. Surrey, lic. 1787, Sept. 8, John E. and Mary Mitchell. 1788, Jan. 20, William E. and Arabella Carter. 1790, Mar. 2, Thomas E. and Sarah Stanhope. 1807, Dec. 10, James Boden E., of this parish, b., and Mary Dransfield, of Sevenoaks, Kent, s., lic.

St. George's Chapel, Mayfair, 1740—1754.

1729, Feb. 10, Phillip Reau, b., and Isabella E., s., both of St. James, Westmr. 1746, Jan. 31, Mr. Thomas Hall and Mrs. Mary E., of St. James, Westmr. 1748, April 10, Thomas Hamilton and Jane E. 1748, Aug. 21, Thomas Richards, of St. Mary-at-Hill, and Frances E., of St. Andrew's, Holborn. 1749, Aug. 21, Alexander Hogg and Susan E., of St. Margaret, Westminster. 1750, Oct. 14, George Sanders, of Richmond, Surrey, and Frances E., of Ipswich, Suffolk. 1753, Mar. 6, Richard Morris and Sarah E., of St. James, Westmr.

Kensington, 1539—1675.

Baptisms. 1605, Sep. 8, Rebecca, d. of Richard E. als. Wheler. 1608, June 10, Memorandum of receipt by William Ward of the sum of 40 shillings from the parish for bringing up of Marget. E., born at Hamstede, aged 9 years, until the age of 22 years.

Marriages. 1619, April 29, Mr. Samuel Ricroft, of the Cyty of Westminster, and Mrs. Elizabeth E., of this parish. 1627, May 18, Thomas Emerson, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fyelds, Lond., Esq., and Mrs. Mary Detton, of Detton, in co. Sallope. 1629, Aug. 18, John E., gent., and Anne Lawd, of Savoy parish, in London.

Christ Church, Newgate Street, 1538—1754.

Baptisms. 1733, Nov. 26, Elizabeth, dau. of Thomas and Jane E., born 28 Oct.

Marriages. 1578, Nov. 27, Anthonye Emberson and Barbarye Fayrborne.

London Marriage Licences (Printed).

Nov. 23, 1602—3, John E., of St. Augustine's, London, tailor, and Eva Bayly, of Westminster, widow; at Westminster. Oct. 14, 1662, William E. and Lucy Alden. June 17, 1701, Ralph E., of Newcastle, bach., æt. 35, and Anne Young, of St. Botolph, æt. 24; at St. Botolph. April 8, 1529, William Emerson and Mary Newce to marry at Hadham. Feb. 22, 1591, Robert E. (sailor) and Rebecca Yeomans, d. of J. Yeomans, yeom., of Greenwich; at St. Andrew, Hubbard (Holborn). Feb. 18, 1641, Thos. Adams, gent., of Cheshunt, widower, 36, and Elizabeth E., of same, widow, æt. 30; at St. Botolph, Aldersgate. July 9, 1633, W. Wise and Etheldred E., of St. Clement Danes, d. of Mr. E., City Merchant. June 7, 1623, Geo. Norreys, gent., of Gray's Inn, 38, and Elizabeth E., of Gray's Inn Lane, æt. 50, widow of Christopher E., late of Gray's Inn Lane and St. Andrew's, Holborn.

St. Saviour's, Southwark, 1570—1640.

Baptisms. Judythe E., 23 Dec., 1571. Will., s. of

Willm. E., 22 Aug., 1576. Thom., s. of John E., 22 June, 1577. Ellin, d. of John Evarsonne, 21 Nov., 1578. Peter, s. of Willm. E., 23 July, 1579. Anne, d. of John E., 31 July, 1580. Thomas, s. of Humfre E., 17 Oct., 1580. Jone, d. of Humfrey E., 23 Oct., 1581. Ellinor, d. of Willm. E., 22 Nov., 1581. Harrye, s. of Thomas E., 15 Feb., 1581—2. John, s. of John E., 21 May, 1583. Sara, d. of Willm. E., "chaunler," 10 Feb., 1583—4. John, s. of Humfre E., lawyer, 4 June, 1584. Xpofer, s. of Thomas E., a ffreeholder, 9 Oct., 1584. Elizabeth, d. of John E., a waterman, 3 Ap., 1585. Edmond, s. of Humfre E., Lawyer, 7 July, 1586. Sara, d. of Thomas E., gent., 21 Aug., 1586. Richard, s. of William E., Chaundler, 1 Nov., 1586. John, s. of Thomas E., gent., 14 July, 1588. Willm., s. of Humfree E., Lawyer, 9 Feb., 1588—9. Humfree, s. of Thomas E., gent., 2 Aug., 1590. Margarett, d. of John E., Waterman, 28 Jan., 1590—1. Suzan, d. of Thomas E., gent., 8 Aug., 1591. Richard, s. of Humfre E., gent., 5 Sept., 1591. Humfrey, s. of Humfre E., gent., 28 July, 1594. John, s. of John E., a waterman, 3 Oct., 1594. Elizabeth, d. of Henrye E., yeom., 18 Oct., 1601. Mathewe, s. of Henrye E., gent., 31 Oct., 1602. John, s. of Peter E., a shoomaker, 28 Nov., 1611. Henrye, s. of Peter E., a Cobler, 13 Aug., 1615. Ellen, d. of Peter E., a Cobler, 13 Mar., 1624—5.

Marriages. 20 Sep., 1573, John Evarsonne and Eliz. Marlow. 16 Jan., 1577—8, John Eversonne and Jane Foster. 20 Feb., 1579—80, John Emesonne and Bettrys Marberye. Thomas E. and Annie Robiant (lic.), 23 Jan., 1580—1. Robert Nunne, and Anne E., 5 Feb., 1587—88. Anthony Skinner and Judithe E., 22 Sept., 1595. Humfrey E. and Emme Berrye, widow, 9 July, 1598. Henrye Berrye and Joane E., 13 Feb., 1598—9. Brian E. and Dorathie Goolde, 10 Ap., 1603. William Jarvesse and Elizabeth E., 25 June, 1605. Richard E. and Jane ffrederick, 14 June, 1614. David Jones and Sara E., 9 May, 1620.

Burials. Willm. Eversonn, 9 Mar., 1572—3. Willm. E., 30 June, 1575 [Monument in church to same]. Ellyn Eversonne, 28 Aug., 1579. Nicholas E., 24 Oct., 1582. Anne E., in ye churche, 26 Oct., 1582. Anne E., in ye churche, 8 Mar., 1582—3. Thomas E., a chyld, in ye churche, 28 Aug., 1583. John E., 23 May, 1585. Sara E., 30 July, 1585. Elizabeth E., 29 Aug., 1585. John Evarsonne, 22 Mar., 1586—7. Humfre E., a chylde, 27 Nov., 1592. Mgarett. E., a chyld, 29 Dec., 1592. Sara E., in ye churche, 13 June, 1593. Eme E., a wyffe, 22 June, 1593. Christopher E., a childe, 16 July, 1593. Jane E. a childe, 6 Dec., 1594. Thomas E., a man, 28 June, 1595. Thomas Eversonne, a man, 14 Ap., 1596. Eliz. E., a childe from the bank, 25 Ap., 1596. John E., fil. Humfredi, 1 Ap., 1597. John E., a man, 13 Ap., 1597. Jhoane, wife of Humfrey E., a Vestryman, 1 Aug., 1597. Willyam E., a man, 16 Aug., 1597. Edmond E., a young youth, son of Humfrey E., gent., 28 Ap., 1600. Humfrey E., a child, in ye church, 26 Oct., 1603. Richard E., a youth in the church, 5 Nov., 1603. Humfrey E., gent., in the church, 28 Nov., 1603. Eliz. E., a child, in ye Church, 12 Oct., 1604. Jone E., a Colledge pentioner, 20 Aug., 1614. Eliz. E., a woman, in ye Church, 12 Nov., 1614. Marye E., a childe, 20 Sept., 1615. Ralfe E., a poore man drownde, 19 Julie, 1623. Jane E., a woman, 28 Nov., 1623. Peter E., a poore man, 27 July, 1625. In one month during the plague there were 735 burials!—E. W.

ST. GEORGE THE MARTYR, SOUTHWARK, 1602—1640.

Marriages. 6 May, 1624, Rafe E. and Judeth Jonson. 19 Oct., 1626, John Granner and Margaret E. 16 Oct., 1631, Rafe Smith and Margaret E.

Baptisms: Nil. Burials: Nil.

REGISTERS OF ST. BOTOLPH. BISHOPSGATE (HALLEN).

Vol. I. (Printed).

Baptisms. 1599, Feb. 24, Thomas, s. of George E. 1603, July 24, James, s. of John E.

Marriages. 1603, Oct. 19, George E. and Isabel Canadine, widow. 1613, Dec. 5, Isahacke Spoenbeame and Sibell E., widow. 1724, Sept. 15, John Potter and Susannah E.

Burials. 1584, Nov. 25, Roger E. 1602, Oct. 25, Thomas E., 2. 1603, July 25, Ann E., 36. 1603, July 25, James E., *chrisomer*. 1608, Dec. 5, George E., 36. 1619, Aug. 15, Eliza E., infant. 1622, March 22, Jane E. 1622, March 22, Jane E. [*sic over the page*].

Vol. III.

Marriages. 1579, Thos. Griffen and Ann E.

Burials. 1644, May 13, May E., 57. 1646, Oct. 12, Diana E., 7. 1650, Sep. 18, Ann E., 40.

ST. MARY'S, WHITECHAPEL, 1615—1635.

Baptisms. 1616, Sept. 15, Alice, d. of James Emberson. [Gap in baptisms from July, 1619, to Aug., 1621.] 1621, Oct. 14, Leonard, s. of John Emberson, and Mary his wife. 1622—3, Mar. 23, Andrew, s. of John E., and Mary, his wife. 1623—4, Jan. 29, Marey, d. of John E. and Mary, his wife. [Gap in baptisms from July, 1625, to Nov., 1625.] 1633—4, March 16, Susanna, d. of Pensill [*sic*] and Anne E.

ST. ANNE, BLACKFRIARS, 1580—1635.

Baptisms. 31 Mar., 1612, Eliz., d. to Mr. E. 1 April, 1617, Elsobeth, d. to Thomas and Jane E.

Marriages. 23 Aug., 1631, John E. and Ruth Cawthorn. 11 July, 1633, Francis E. and Mary Foxall.

Burials. 4 Oct., 1634, George, s. to Francis and Mary E.

LAMBETH, 1615—1635 (Baps. only).

Baptisms. 1615, 7 July, Jane, d. of Henry E. 1618, 13 July, Richard, s. of Henry E.

STEPNEY, 1615—1635 (Baps. only).

Baptisms. 1615—16, Jan. 31, John, s. of John F., of Coventree, co. Warw., merchant, and Elizabeth, his wife, born in the house of John Abbott, of Whitehorse St., 4 days old. 1616, Sept. 29, Grace, d. of John E., of Bramblelane, labourer, and Mercy, 4 days old. 1617, Nov. 23, Mary, d. of John E., of Bramblelane, cutler, and Mary, 6 days old. 1619—20, Mar. 12, William, s. of John E., of the Spittlefields, cutler, and Mercy, his wife, 11 days old. 1621—2, Jan. 30, Richard, s. of Richard E., of Wentworth St., husbandman, and Elizabeth, 5 days old. 1630, Dec. 31, Henry, s. of John E., of Limehouse, mariner, and Isabel, 9 days old.

ST. ANDREW'S, ENFIELD, 1615—1635.

Baptisms only. Mar. 26, 1615, Sussan E., fil. John. Oct. 4, 1618, Thomas E., fil. John. Jan. 7, 1620, Henry E., fil. John. Dec. 26, 1625, John E., fil. John and Ann. Sep. 12, 1627, Annie E., fil. John, jr., and Ann. Oct. 19, 1629, Sarah E., fil. John and Annie. Feb. 17, 1632, Elizabeth E., filia Edward and Eliz. June 11, 1635, Christopher E., fil. John and Ann. Baptisms to 1565, nil; second search.

MONKEN HADLEY, 1619—1640.

Baptisms. 7 July, 1619, Thomas, s. of Thomas E., Esq., and Jane, his wife. 2 Oct., 1620, Thomas, s. of Thos. E., Esq., and Jane.

Burials. 20 June, 1624, Thomas E., armiger, dominus hujus manerii et donator hujus libri, etc., sepultus. 31 Dec., 1624, Mr. Thomas E. 29 Feb., 1628—9, Mrs. Jane E. 30 Sept., 1631, Thomas E., Esq., s. of Thos. and Jane.

Marriages. No Emersons.

Note in the beginning of this register. After reciting all the gifts that Thomas E., Esq., made to the Church, comes this entry: The said Thomas Emerson, Esq., departed this mortal life the 18th day of June, 1623 [*sic*] (see burial June, 1624), and lieth buried in the north "Isle" of the parish church of Hadley, under the north window of the said "Isle."

ST. NICHOLAS, DEPTFORD, Co. KENT, 1600—1635.

Baptisms. 1602, Sep. 26, Joanna, fil. Anthonij Emberson. 1604, Nov. 7, Elizab., fil. Anthon. Emberson. 1606, Jan. 7, Margareta, fil. Anthonij Emberson. 1609, Oct. 23, Magdalene, the d. of Anthony E. 1609, Nov. 9, Francis, the s. of Tho. E., Esq. 1611, Nov. 22, Elizabeth, d. of Anthony E. 1615, Oct. 9, Wilmore, the d. of Anthonie E.

Marriages. 1600, Sep. 8, Anthony Emberson and Joane Sparrowe. 1617, Oct. 13, Anthonie E. and Dorothie Dowler. 1614, Oct. 3, Henry Burton and Elizab. E.

Burials. 1603, Sept. 1, Joanna, fil. Atho. Emberson (peste morb.). 1608, Mar. 28, Elizabeth, the d. of Anthony Emberson. 1615, Oct. 25, Wilmore E. 1616, Mar. 17, Joane E. 1627, Nov. 4, Anthonie E. 1632, Dec. 19, widow E.

ST. HELEN'S, BISHOPSGATE, LONDON, 1615—1635.

Baptisms. Thomas E., June 21, 1604. John Emmerson, Aug. 8, 1606. Henrye Emmerson, Mar. 26, 1608. William E., Nov. 14, 1610. All the children of "Thomas E., Esq., and of Jane his wife."

Marriages. Samuell E. and Mary Davy, Oct. 14, 1708.

Burials. Emerson (a woman-child of Thomas E.), Apr. 21, 1605. Emerson (a woman-child of Thomas E.), May 27, 1607. Henry Emmerson, March 27, 1608. Emerson (a woman-child of Thomas E.), Dec. 5, 1608. Francis E., Apr. 28, 1611. Elizabeth E., April 3, 1612. [N.B.—It would seem as if the Emersons must have removed out of the Parish after 1612. No other entries occur after that year, with the solitary exception of a marriage a century later. J. A. L. A.]

ST. NICHOLAS ACONS, LONDON: Mar. 24, 1649, Thomas Emberson, of St. Giles', Cripplegate, and Ann Tomlins, of the same.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S-THE-GREAT. Baps., 1615—35: 1616, Aug. 11, John, s. of John E., at W. Brigg's house in Clothpayer.

ST. BRIDE'S, FLEET ST., E.C. Baps., 1615—1635: 1631, July 24, Eliz., d. of Foulke E., and wyfe Mary.

Registers searched (baptisms), 1615—1636, with no result: Ealing; St. Katherine's, nr. the Tower; Wapping; St. Thomas', Southwark; St. Leonard's, Shoreditch; St. Mary Magdalen, Bermondsey; Westminster Abbey; All Saints and All Hallow's, Barking; St. Olave's, Hart St.; St. Andrew's, Holborn. Reward notice posted to every other London church with register before 1635.

Likely churches with no registers before 1640: St. John's, Southwark; St. Olave's, Southwark.

ST. MARGARET'S, WESTMINSTER.

Baptisms. 1613, Thomas E., s. of Ellis E. 1617, Rowley, s. of Ellis E. 1626, Agnes, d. of Ellis E. 1628, Susan, d. of Thomas E. 1633, Thomas, s. of Thos. and Mary E.

Marriages. 1602, John E. married. (W. C. E.)

ST. MARTIN'S-IN-THE-FIELDS.

Baptisms. 5 April, 1582, Rhoda Emberson. 24 Oct., 1596, Jana Emberson. 29 Feb., 1597, Robert Emeson. 25 August, 1599, John E. 1 Oct., 1600, Margaret E. 20 Jan., 1601. Katharina E. 12 Jan., 1604. Elizabetha E. 14 Oct., 1605, Margery E. 12 Sept., 1606, Thomazin E. 29 Feb., 1607, Jane and Makeway E. 8 March, 1610, Ellinor E., filia Thomas.

Marriages. 31 July, 1595, Thomas E. duxit Agneta Gilbert. 27 Nov., 1604, Johannes E. duxit Amy Norman. 17 Jan., 1612, John Harrison duxit Doroth. E.

Burials. 22 May, 1601, Anna E. 10 Sept., 1603, Jana E. 25 Sept., 1603, Johannes E. 4 Oct., 1603, Margaret E. 15 Oct., 1605, Margery E. 30 Oct., 1605, Elizabetha E. 12 Oct., 1608, Thomasin E. 4 Sept., 1625, Makeway E., d. of Thomas, "peste." 25 Sept., 1629, (?) Henricus E., vir. 9 May, 1636, Thomas E. 3 Aug., 1637, (?) Hester E., a child. From churchwarden's accounts I find that Thomas E. was beadle for many years at a salary of 40s. the year, that he was buried 9 May, 1636, at an expense of 3s. 5d., relatively a large sum for private people. (C. C. S.)

NORTHUMBERLAND.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE, ST. NICHOLAS, 1560—1700.

Baptisms. Feb. 20, 1560, Elizabeth E. Oct. 11, 1572, Raphe E. February 20, 1574, Barbara E. February 1, 1576, Isabell, dau. to George E. Surties, James Carr, merchaunte; Mrs. Isabel Calverley, wife to Mr. Thomas Calverley, Esquire; Jane Carr, wife to Edward Carr, merchaunte. March 2, 1579, Henry, son of George E., yom. "Suerties," Henry Anderson, merchaunte; Alderman Henry Chapman, "merchaunte;" Mrs. Alice Carr, wife of James Carr, "merchaunte." March 2, 1598, Katheren, dau. of Raphe E., yeo. "Surties," Roger Nicholson, merchant; Katheryn Carr, widow, and Mabel Nicholson. January 22, 1614, Anne, dau. of Willm. E., skynner and glover. Surties, Tho. Bullock, skynner and glover; Ann Emerson, grandmother to the child, and Anne Cheseman. March 18, 1618, George E, son to Willm. E., skinnar and glover. Surties, George Whetley, George Chesman, mason, and Janne Alline. April 5, 1622, Henrie, son of Willm. E. Surties, Mr. Henrie Chapman, mar.; Cuthbart Gray, mar., and Isabell Crome, wife to Thomas Crome, mar. January 20, 1630, Jane, dau. to Jo. E., marcht. Surt., Mr. Marke Shafto, Mrs. Jane Shafto, Isab. Anderson. April 26, 1631, Jane, dau. to John E. Sur., Robert Cooke, Jane Warmouth, Margaret Hudspith. July 25, 1632, Elizab., dau. to John E., mar. Surties, Abraham Booth, Margaret Gofton, and Eliz. Buck. Sep. 15, 1633, Robart, son to John E. and Alice, his wife. January 16, 1637, Henry, ye son of John and Jane E. July 22, 1638, John, ye son of John and Jane E. August 13, 1638, Henry, ye son of Willyam and Bridget E. August 7, 1639, Alice, ye dau. of John and Jane E. Oct. 11, 1639, Mary, ye dau. of Joh. and Barbara E.

Marriages. June 19, 1586, Thomas E. and Elizabeth E. February 13, 1598, Thomas Bullock and Barbara E. Julie 8, 1599, William Storie Cowper and Elizabeth E. September 23, 1604, Thomas Wallis, glazier, and Annie E. February 3, 1606, George Reade and Katherin E. April 13, 1630, John E. and Alice Shafto. March 6, 1638, Anthony Ayre and Barb. E.

Burials. Sept. 14, 1589, George, s. of George E., yom. June 8, 1596, George E., yom. June 16, 1616, "Wedowe" (Widow) E. August 9, 1628, Eppie Eammerson. September 21, 1633, Alice, wife to Jo. E., Marcht. March 3, 1634, Infant E. July 26, 1636, George E. August 10, 1636, Dame E. August 15, 1636, Anne E. September 30, 1636, Henry E. April 5, 1639, Frances E. July 9, 1639, Henry E., Inf. (Iufant).

NEWCASTLE, ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, 1587—1640.

Baptisms. Magdelen E., d. to Raulphe E., yeom., 10 July, 1596. Michell E., s. to Rauphe E., 1 March, 1601. Elsabeth E. was godmother to Elsabeth Gyrfyne, d. of Nic., bap. 1 Nov., 1607.

Marriages. Rauphe E., yeom., and Elizabeth Rowmaince, 26 Jan., 1594. John Potts, cordener, and Elsabeth E., 14 June, 1608. Thos. Toward (?) and Margery E., 9 Sept., 1628. Thos. E., yeom., and Catherine Vance (?), vid., 7 July, 1635. Willm. E. and Briget Stanger, widow, 25 Oct., 1636.

Burials. Thos. E., yeom., 20 Aug., 1638.

ALL SAINTS', NEWCASTLE, 1600—1640.

Baptisms. Jayne, d. of Geo. E., butcher, 18 Jan., 1600. James, s. of Christopher Emson, clockmaker, 11 Ap., 1621.

Marriages. Arche E. and Agnes Browne, 8 July, 1606. John Tugell and Isabel E., 13 Aug., 1611. Thos. Robinson and Margret E., 20 June, 1613. Christopher Emson and Isabel Shevell, 1620. Geo. Tramble and Jane E., 1624. Alexr. Mason and Ursula E., 6 Aug., 1626.

Burials. Raphe E., labourer, 7 Feb., 1605. Elizabeth E., vid., 21 Nov., 1619.

ST ANDREW'S, NEWCASTLE, 1597—1640.

[First page torn in half.]

Baptisms. Ursula, d. of Geo. E., butcher, 9 Jan., 1602. [Entries about Dec., 1627, and Jan., 1627—8, illegible.]

The following likely registers begin after 1640. Kilham (Par. Kirk Newton), Screenwood (Par. Alnham), Dilston (Par. Corbridge), Lowick, Ancroft Chaplery (Norhamshire), Fetherstonhaugh (Par. Corbridge).

BERWICK-ON-TWEED. Baptisms, 1615—1635: Nil. Register very delapidated.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE (INCLUDING BRISTOL).

The following registers (baptisms) were searched, 1615—1635, and no Emersons found:—Gloucester City Churches: St. John the Baptist, St. Michael and St Mary de Grace, St. Nicholas, St. Mary de Crypte and St. Mary de Lode (transcripts). Bristol Churches: St. Augustine, Christ Church, St. Edwin's, Clifton, St. James, St. John the Baptist, St. Mary le Port, St. Mary Radcliffe, St. Nicholas with St. Leonard's (St. Leonard's begin after 1635), Temple Church, St. Thomas, St. Werbergh.

BRISTOL. (St. Philip with Jacob). Baps. 1615—1636. 1636, Thos., s. of Thomas* and Allis E., May 22 (*a freeman of Bristol, 1634—Freeman's Rolls).

Likely registers beginning after 1635:—Bathampton, Bathford (early regs. burnt), Bath-Easton.

PHILLIMORE GLOUC. REGS. Marriages. Vol. I., King's Stanley, 1573—1812: Nil. Quedgeley, 1559—1836: Nil. Randcombe, 1566—1812: Nil. Swindon, 1638—1670: Nil. Slimbridge, 1635—1812: Nil.

HORTON (CHIPPING SODBURY), 1618—1706.

Baptisms. Agnes, d. of Andrew E., Mar. 29, 1618. Marie, d. of Andrew E., Dec. 19, 1619. Frances, d. of Ric. E., Mar. 29, 1630. Hannah, d of Thos. and Rachel E., Jan. 14, 1683. Richard, s. of Thos. and Rachael E., Feb. 25, 1688.

Marriages. John Woodman and Martha E., July 13, 1682. Geo. Hooper and Anne E. als. Edney, May 23, 1686. Tho. Butler and Margt. E., Feb. 2, 1690. Ric. E. and Alice Frankham, Apl. 30, 1712.

Burials. Ric. E., Nov. 6, 1683. Andrew, s. of Ric. E., Feb. 9, 1672. Thomas E., May 26, 1692. Richard E., Jr. (b. at Titherington), bur. 1711. Ric. E., Mar. 24, 1724.

MARSHFIELD, 1558—1700.

Baptisms. 1576, 10 June, Joanna, d. of Roger Emson. 1579, 13 Sept., Jacobus, s. of Roger Emson. 1581, 31 Dec., Anna, d. of Roger Emson. 1584, 24 May, Brigitta, d. of Roger Emson. 1607—8, 16 Mar., John, s. of James E. 1609, 12 Oct., William, s. of James E. 1615—16, 1 Mar., William, s. of James E. 1677, Sept. 28, Robert, s. of Wm. E. 1679—80, Feb. 15, Joan, d. of Wm. E. 1681—2, Feb. 1, Judith, d. of Wm. E. 1684—5, Mar. 22, Thomas, s. of Wm. E. 1687, Oct. 14, James, s. of William and Joan E. 1689, Ap. 27, Sara, d. of William and Joan E. 1689, Nov. 15, Harnoys, s. of William and Joan E. 1670, Ap. 2, Eliz., d. of William E. 1673, 27 Dec., Robert, s. of William E. 1675, 5 Sept., William, s. of William E.

Marriages. 1607, 4 June, James E. and Maria Bennett. 1609, 15 Oct., John [blank] and Brigitta E. 1669, 13 June, William E., of Cole Ashton and Joan Tipper, of Marsfeld.

Burials. 1585, 20 July, Agnes, d. of Roger Emson. 1609—10, 5 Feb., Roger Emmerson. 1694, Aug. 13, Eliz., d. of William and Joan E. 1696—7, Mar. 15, William E. 1699—1700, Feb. 29, William E. 1620, 30 June, Issabella E., vid. 1622—3, 19 Jan., William, s. of James E. 1632, 30 Sept., Joan E., vid. 1635, 15 Nov., Mary, wife of James E. 1640—1, 1 Jan., James E. 1641—2, 2 Mar., Edward E. 1675, 9 Oct., Robert E.

MANGOTSFIELD, 1579—1700.

Baptisms. 1636, July 3, Andrew, s. of Andrew and Eliz. E. 1639, Oct. 20, Sarah, d. of Andrew and Eliz. E. 1623—4, Mar. 17, Eliz., d. of Andrew and Eliz. E. 1632, Sept. 30, Frances, d. of Andrew and Eliz. E. 1625, Ap. 14, Richard, s. of Andrew and Eliz. E. 1627—8, Feb. 14, Martha, d. of Andrew and Eliz. E. 1629—30, 7 Mar., Katherine, d. of Andrew and Eliz. E. 1679, Nov. 5, Mary, d. of Andrew and Mary E. 1684—5, Jan. 4, Andrew, s. of Andrew and Mary E. 1689, Nov. 19, Richard, s. of Andrew and Mary E. 1692, Oct. 23, Martha, d. of Andrew and Mary E.

Marriages. 1586, Nov. 10, Thomas E. to Margarett Beste. 1636, Nov. 17, Nicholas Owen and Anne E. 1694, May 17, Harness E. and Mary Palmer, both of par. of Cold Ashton.

Burials. 1586, Sept. 7, Thomas E. 1663, Jan. 3, Eliz., widow of Andrew E. [*sic*]. 1664, June 18, Andrew E.

BISHOP'S TRANSCRIPTS OF COLD ASHTON, 1606—1700.

Baptisms. 1609, Feb. 25, Margaret, d. of Thomas E. 1629, Nov. 3, Eliz., d. of Harnoyse E. 1637, May 18, Thos. E., s. of Harnoyse and Judith E. 1640, Nov. 29, Judith, d. of Harnoys E. 1670, Mar. 26, Harnoys, s. of Andrew and Sarah E. 1672, Mar. 20, Judith, d. of same. 1677, Aug. 30, Judith, d. of same. 1679, Ap. 18, Eliz., d. of Andrew and Sara E. 1681, May 31, Sarah, d. of same. 1684, May 28, Henry, s. of Hen. and Sarah E. 1685, Mar. 5, Rob. E., s. of Hen. E. and Sarah. 1687, Mar. 3, Silvester, d. of Hen. and Sara E. 1691, July 13, Silvester, d. of Hen. and Sara E. 1695, Mar. 7, Mary, d. of Harnoys and Mary E.

Marriages. 1625, Sept. 12, John Wicks and Joan E. 1640, Aug. 24, John Bullock and Mary E.

Burials. 1607, Ap. 14, Joan, wife of Thos. E. 1620, May 15, William, s. of Thos. E. Thos. E., churchwarden. 1637, Aug. 17, Thomas E., late of Bristol. 1639, Feb 27, Thos. E., the elder. Harnoys E., ch'warden. 1676, May 14, Judith, d of same. 1678, . . . Silvester, d. of Hen. E. 1681, Sept. 28, Andrew E. 1685, Feb. 7, Harnoys E., senior. 1686, Nov. 20, Rob. E., s. of Hen. E. and Sarah. [There are a great many gaps in the transcripts.]

KENT.

SANDWICH, ST. CLEMENT'S. Baps. 1615—1635 : Nil.

SANDWICH, ST. MARY'S. Baps. 1615—1635 : Nil.

SANDWICH, ST. PETER'S, 1538—1731.

Baptisms. 28 Sep., 1670, Crips, s. of John Emberson and Elizabeth his wife. 2 Nov., 1671, Elizabeth, d. of same. 19 May, 1723, Sara, d. of William Emberson by Rebecca his wife. 21 Ap., 1725, Rebecca, d. of same.

Marriages, 1538—1750. 30 March, 1657, John Stephens, of the parish of St. Lawrence, in the Isle of Thanet, tailor, and Mary Emberson, of the same parish. 17 July, 1669, John Embersone to Elizabeth Cripse. 21 June, 1716, Edward Musred to Sara Emberson, by licence. 17 Nov., 1741, Saffery Hills and Sara Emberson.

Burials, 1538—1720. 24 Nov., 1670, Crips, s. of John Emberson and Elizabeth his wife. 26 Dec., 1686, Elizabeth E., widow. 29 Sept., 1693, Susanna, d. of Joseph E. 19 Dec., 1709, Richard, s. of Joseph E. 28 Mar., 1715, Sara, wife of Joseph E. [The burials from 1600—1615 are very much torn.]

DARTFORD, Baps. 1615—1635.

Baptisms. John, s. of Will. E., 21 May, 1615. ? Eliz., d. of John E., ——, 1615. ? John, s. of John E., 1613. Eliz., d. of Frank E., 7 Oct., 1617. Thos., s. of Binsard E., Nov. 4, 1618. Ric. and Harry, ss. of Will. E., Jan. 30, 1618. Erasamus, s. of Will. E., July 30, 1620. Eliz., d. of Henry E., April 24, 1621. Susan, d. of Will. E., April 25, 1622. ——, s. of Ric. E., Dec. 8, 1622. Sam., s. of Will. E., 1 Feb., 1623. Eliz., d. of Ric. E., 2 Jan., 1624. Barbar., d. of Will. E., 8 June, 1625. ——, d. of Will. E., 4 Oct. (?), 1627. Grace, d. of Ric. E., 1630. ——, d. of Ric. E., 17 Feb., 1632. Nil 1633—34—35.

LEE, *vide* printed records. A Thos. Em. . . of Dartford bur.

I sent reward papers for baps. 1615—1635 : Downe Chaplery, Greenwich, Blackheath, Snodland, Strood, Wilmington, Rochester, Igtham.

ST. LAWRENCE, RAMSGATE. VOL. I., 1560—1653.

Baptisms. John, s. of Rob. E., 26 Oct., 1600. [NOTE. This is the first entry of the name of Emerson in Vol. I. A branch of the family probably migrated from the Cinque Port town of Sandwich (6 miles distant). The Ramsgate portion of the parish of St. Lawrence is Limb or Liberty of Sandwich, and the name has been known both here and there down to the present time.—K. W. Wilkie, contrib.] Ellyn, d. of Rob. E., 26 Oct., 1600. Jane, d. of Rob. E., 26 June, 1602. Robert, s. of Rob. E., 26 August, 1604. Margaret, d. of Rob. E., 1 Nov., 1606. Mary, d. of Rob. E., 23 July, 1609. Thomas, s. of Rob. E., 5 Jan., 1611—2. Elizabeth, d. of Rob. Emmerson, 1 May, 1614. William, s. of Robert Emberson, 24 Mar., 1616. (George, the base-borne on of Elizabeth Emerson, 9 Oct., 1635.) Rob., s. of Thomas and Anne E., 1 July, 1638. Jane, d. of Willm. and Jane E., 16 June, 1639. Joane, d. of Willm. and Jane E., 8 Nov., 1640. Anne, d. of Thomas and Anne E., 18 April, 1641. Elizabeth, d. of Will. and Jane E., 9 Oct., 1642. John, s. of Thomas and Anne E., 15 Oct., 1643. Robert, s. of William and Jane E., May, 1645. William, s. of William and Jane E., 28 May, 1648 (in margin). Mary, d. of Wylliam and Jeane E., 6 Mar., 1653.

Marriages. Robert E. and Jane Angram, 16 Sept., 1598. Thomas E. and Anne Luckett, 1 Oct., 1634. Willyam E. and Jane Danton, 2 Oct., 1638. Richard Bignell and Elizabeth E., 28 Aug., 1637.

Burials. John E , 27 Oct., 1600. Ellyn E., 1 Nov., 1600. Rob. E., 5 Oct., 1630. Elizab., d. of William E., 23 Jan., 1642.

YORKSHIRE.

YARM, 1649—1750.

Baptisms. Anne, d. of John E., 17 Feb., 1690. William, s. of John E., 27 Dec., 1693. Elizabeth, d. of John E., 3 Mar., 1696. Jane, d of John E., 12 Sept., 1699. Dorothy, d. of John E., 8 April, 1701. John, s. of John E., 14 Sept., 1703. Dorothy, d. of John E., 23 Oct., 1705. Jane, d. of John E., 10 June, 1707. Mary, d. of John E., 14 Mar., 1709.

Marriages. John E. and Anne Rogers, 6 May, 1689.

Burials. Anne, w. of John E., 11 Mar., 1607. John E., 19 Mar., 1690. Jane, d. of John E., 28 Jan., 1699. Dorothy, d. of John E., 3 Dec., 1703. Dorothy, d. of John E., 25 Oct., 1705. Anne E., 24 Ap., 1708. John, s. of John E., 9 Mar., 1708.

TERBY ON HUMBER.

Baptisms. Charles, s. of Xtopher and Judith E., 28 Jan., 1696. Xtopher E., 15 April, 1698. William E., 12 June, 1702. Eliz., d. of Xtopher and Judith E., 9 Aug., 1703.

Burials. Judith, wife of Xtopher, 9 Aug., 1703. Will., s. of Xtopher E., 21 Feb., 1702.

FILEY. Baps. 1615—35 : Nil.

HOWDEN (WRESSLE). No register before 1640 (burnt).

ESTON to 1800 : Nil.

MIDDLEHAM. Baps. 1615—35 : Nil.

OVERTON. Baps. 1615—35 : Nil (gaps and illegible).

GREAT AYTON. Baps. 1615—35 : Nil.

KIRK FENTON (LEEDS), begins 1630. Baptisms. Antonii, s. of Thos. E., Mar. 16, 1632. Thos., s. of Thos. E., Aug. 30, 1635.

MARTON-IN-CLEVELAND. Marriages. Mr. John Emmerson of ye parish of Eston, and Mrs. Susanna Gill of ye sd. parish, were married by virtue of a licence had of the Rev. Mr. Bradley, of Yarm, Nov. 16, 1735. Certified by Rev. G. Wilberforce Trevor, 27 Dec., 1896. (Copy of Certificate.)

BULMER (WELBURN). Baps. 1615—35 : Marie E., 28 Ap., 1633.

STILLINGFLEET.

Baps. 1615—35. Ric., s. of Will E., Mar. 12, 1619. Another child of Will E., Feb. 28, 1622. Anne, d. of Will. E., Jan., 1629. Will. E. and Marmaduke Marchant, churchwardens.

HOLME-IN-SPALDING-MOOR.

Baps. 1615—35. Jane, d. of Ric. E., 31 Aug., 1629. Mary, d. of Will. E., 21 Sept., 1631. Dorothy, d. of Will. Emmison, Oct. 16, 1633. Isabel, d. of Ric. Emmison, 15 Dec., 1603.

ORMESBY to 1740.

Baptisms. James, s. of John E., Aug. 15, 1736. Mary, d. of John E., Dec. 7, 1738.

SKELTON-IN-CLEVELAND TO 1896.

Pages of Register, 1615—1620, 1632—35, missing.

Baptisms. Collabra, d. of Will E., 7 Feb., 1589. Jane, d. of Will E., 7 Sep., 1592. Will E., 7 Sep., 1592. Philip, s. of Will E., 21 March, 1596. Will, s. of Will E., 16 March, 1598. Jane, d. of Will E., 19 June, 1603. Eliz., d. of Will E., 26 Jan., 1609. Philip, s. of Will E., jr., 23 Nov., 1627. Will, s. of Will E., 31 Oct., (?) 1627. Margaret, d. of Philip E., 10 July, 1655. Barbara, d. of Philip E., 20 Mar., 1663. Will, s. of Phillip E., 22 June, 1665. Jane, d. of Phillip E., 8 Nov., 1667. Edward, s. of Phillip E., (?) 1670. Rob., s. of Philip E., 1 April, 1672. Eliz., d. of Philip E., 25 June, 1674. Philip, s. of Philip E., 7 Feb., 1677. Margt., d. of Philip E., 12 Oct., 1680. Will, s. of John E., 22 Sep., 1693. Mary, d. of John E., 17 June, 1694. John, s. of John E., 7 June, 1698. Ann, d. of John E., 1 April, 1700. Geo., s. of John E., 6 July, 1702. Jane, d. of Will E., 7 Mar., 1726. Ann, d. of Will and Jane E., 28 May, 1728. Margt., d. of Will and Jane E., 28 Feb., 1730. John, s. of John and Mary E., 8 Mar., 1730. John, s. of John and Mary E., 9 Sep., 1733. Mary, d. of Will and Jane E., 23 Dec., 1733. Ann, d. of Geo. E., 3 Feb., 1735. Stephen and Will, ss. of Will E., 26 Dec., 1736. Mary, d. of John E., Oct. 2, 1737. John, s. of Geo. E., 6 Aug., 1738. Philip, s. of Geo. E., 16 Aug., 1741. Will, s. of John E., 13 Sep., 1741. Esther, d. of Will and Eliz. E., 25 Jan., 1762. Will, s. of Will and Eliz. E., 27 Dec., 1762. Rob., s. of Will and Eliz. E., 30 Sept., 1763. Eliz., d. of Will E., 26 Oct., 1766. John, s. of Will E. (skinner), 2 Aug., 1770. John, s. of Will E. (skinner), 1 Sep., 1771. Stephen, s. of Will and Eliz. E., 19 Sep., 1773. Mary, d. of Will and Eliz. E., 24 Dec., 1775. Mary, d. of Stephen E., 7 Jan., 1797. Eliz., d. of Stephen E., yeom., 10 Apl., 1798. Alice, d. of Stephen E., 29 Mar., 1800. Hannah, d. of Stephen E. and Alice, 22 July, 1804. Will, s. of Stephen E. (Skelton), 30 Oct., 1808. John, s. of Alice E., 19 Jan., 1827. Alice Hannah, d. of John and Martha E., 9 Mar., 1865. Stephen Will, s. of John and Martha E. (farmers), 26 Oct., 1866, heir to Holly Bush. John Thos., s. of John and Martha E., 21 Feb.,

1868. John Foster, s. of John and Martha E., 13 April, 1870. Eliz. Mary, d. of Stephen Wm. and Margt. Irvine E., 13 Nov., 1890. Stephen, s. of Stephen Wm. and Margt. Irvine E, 11 Feb., 1892. Cecilia Rox, d. of Mathew and Cecilia E., at Lingdale, 3 Apl., 1892. Ethel Beatrice, d. of Stephen W. and Margt. Irvine E., 8 June, 1893. Alice May, d. of same, 11 Apl., 1895.

Marriages. Francis Burne and Agnes E., 3 July, 1587. Will. E. and Agnes Brotton, 6 Feb., 1588. Will. E. and Cicely Lame, 14 June, 1624. Will. Jackson and Jane E., 29 May, 1625. John Ellerley and Mary E., vid., Jan. 14, 1626. Will. E. and Ursulay Audus, 3 Feb., 1641. Philip E. and Mary Pearson, 8 April, 1656. Thos. Carlill and Cicely E., May 4, 1656. Mark —— and Cicely E., June 20, 1674. Geo. Beneson and Mary E., Oct. 10, 1682. John E. and his wife, Oct. 20, 1691. John E. and Eliz., 20, 1691 (rep. of above). John E. and Ann Hammond, Nov. 28, 1703. Will. Robinson and Mary E., 8 May, 1714. John Thompson and Margt. E., 18 April, 1715. John E. and Mary Hammond, May 4, 1724. John Reynardson and Ann E., 24 Apl., 1728. Peter Cartwright and Eliz. E., 28 May, 1728. Geo. E. and Isabel Wood, Feb. 21, 1733. Rob. Tralltes and Jane E., 2 Jan., 1749. Mark Brown and Ann E., 23 Jan., 1749. John E. and Ann Lynas, Apl. 10, 1750. Thos. Barker and Hannah E., 11 May, 1758. Thos. Calvert and Anne E., 20 Mar., 1764. Stephen E. and Alice Thompson, May 19, 1767. Will. E. and Eliz. Clemet (lic.), 31 May, 1770. John E. and Jane Flounders, Nov. 16, 1795. Stephen E. and Alice Amos (by lic.), Aug. 28, 1796. Joseph Marshall and Eliz. E. (by banns), Aug. 15, 1804. Will. E. and Ann Lawson, 23 May, 1822. Will E. and Eliz. Lockwood (by lic.), 1832 (m. in presence of Hannah E., now living at the farm, Holly Bush, she æt. 92). Will. Young and Alice E. (lic.), 6 Mar., 1832. Stephen Will. E. and Mary Irvine Graham, May 15, 1890. John Foster E. (Stanton) and Mary Jane Young (Moorsholm), May 29, 1895.

Burials. Rob. E., 6 May, 1571. Philip E., 12 Sep., 1583. Jane E., 13 Apl., 1602. Philip E., 18 Apl., 1602. Widow E., 10 May, 1611 ? bur. Eliz. E., 4 Jan., 1616. Franc E., of Margrove Park, Jan. 28, 1632. Will. E., Sep. 7, 1633. Will. E., July, 1642. Jane, w. of Philip E., 21 July, 1655. Margaret, d. of Philip E., 2 Aug., 1655. John E., 16 Feb., 1672. Ed. E., 3 Apl., 1672. Rob. E., April 16, 1672. John E., July 20, 1672. Philip E., 20 Apl., 1681. Eliz. E., 6 July, 1702 (probably w. of John E.). Mary E., 4 Feb., 1720. Ann, w. of John E., Oct 22, 1723. John, s. of John and Mary E., Nov. 14, 1731. John E., senr., Dec. 12, 1736. Will. E., householder, 10 Mar., 1746. John, s. of Geo. and Isabel E.. Apl. 2, 1747. Philip E., householder, Jan. 2, 1759. Esther, d. of Will. and Eliz. E., Feb. 13, 1762. Eliz., w. of Will. E., July 18, 1767. John, s. of Will. E., Skinner, Aug. 3, 1770. Anne, w. of John Sourerson, 1 June, 1775. Geo. E. (householder), Jan. 3, 1777. Isabel E. (vid.), Aug. 30, 1782. Anne E. (pensioner), 1 Apl., 1785. Eliz. E. (of Darlington), Aug. 25, 1810. Will E., of Darlington, June 13, 1820 (83). Stephen E., 26 June, 1833 (96). Alice E., 9 Feb., 1855 (80). John Thomas E., 5 Sep., 1868 (7 mos.). Geo. E., June 4, 1880 (87). Stephen E. (of Holly Bush), Dec. 29, 1887 (81).

Notes from early Register: Philip E., of Skelton, husbandman, s. to Ciselie E. of same, vid., and Jane Calvert of same, spr., d. of Will. Calvert, of Skelton, yeoman, having agreed to be married, did deliver to me, Geo. Bowestone, pish. register for said Skelton and for Brotton, their consent in writing, 7 day Aprill, 1654, which was published in the public meeting place of the sd. Brotton, on the 9th, 16th and 23rd of the sd. April. And the said Philip E. and Jane Calvart expressed their consent unto marriage by words of the Act, before Geo. Marwood, Esq., and one of the Justices of the Peace for C. York—were by the sd. Justice declared to be husband and wife the 4 day of May, anno 1654, as their certificate more at large sheweth. Paul Rogers of ye p'ish Marske-marriner, s. of Joseph Rogers, ye same year, and Jane E., of the p'ish of Skelton, spr., and dau. to Cicely E., of the same, widow, having agreed to be married (as preceding).

LINCOLNSHIRE.

The following registers were searched, 1615—1635, and no Emersons found. Boston, Welton, Folkingham, Laceby (nr. Grimsby), Addlethorpe (much decayed). Louth, 1615—27: Nil. Gap after 1627. Scawby, Broughton (Brigg), Hutoft, Bishop's Norton.

Likely registers that begin after 1610: Gunby, Adlingfleete, Swaton, Long Sutton, Althorpe, Firsby (Gt. Steeping), Middlethorpe, Bigby, Algakirk, Trusthorpe, Barnetby (lost 1615—35). Gayton-le-marsh, Wraby.

THEDDLETHORPE, ALL SAINTS'. Baps. 1615—1635: Rob., s. of John E., 18 Sep., 1625.

MARKET RASEN.

Baptisms, 1615—1635. Eliz., d. of Ed. E., 10 Sep., 1609. Jane, d. of George E., 22 Nov., 1609. ——, s. of George E., Feb., 1611. "Haylor," d. of Ed. E., 19 Feb., 1613. John, s. of George E., 7 Oct., 1619. Ed., s. of Edmond E., 28 July, 1622.

MELTON ROSS, baps., mar. and obs. Mary E., bur. July, 1623.

THEDDLETHORPE, ST. HELEN'S.

Baptisms, 1615—1635. Eliz. E., St. James' day, 1612. Olive and Alice E., 25 Oct, 1618. Eliz., d. of John E., June, 1627. Sara, d. of John E., Oct., 1630. Margaret, d. of John and Margaret E., March, 1642.

BARTON-ON-HUMBER, ST. PETER'S AND ST. MARY'S, 1615—1635. Margt., w. of Thos. E., bur. 13 April, 1617.

WORLABY. Baps. 1615—1635: Dorothy, d. of John and Ann E., 10 Mar., 1637. Marriages: R. Bellamy and Judith E, 22 Dec., 1628. John E. and Ann Hall, vid., 8 May, 1636.

WOOLTON (NR. ULCEBY), 1615—35. Janet, w. of Thos. E., bur. 20 Nov., 1615.

SERBY, 1615—35. Mar. Alex. and Eliz. E., 3 Oct., 1626.

GOXHILL.

Baptisms, 1615—35. Maria, d. of Rich. E., July, 1610. Helen, d. of Ric. E., Oct., 1615. Sam., s. of Sam. E., Nov., 1616. Sam., s. of Sam. E., July, 1620.

CAISTOR.

Baptisms. Frances and Isabel, 2 July, 1686. Alex. E., 4 Dec., 1682. Burials. Geo. E., 2 Aug., 1591. Alex. E., churchwarden, 1659. Dorothea E., vid., 30 Mar., 1675. Eliz. E., April, 1683.

CABOURNE. Baps., 1615—23. Ann E., 1623.

BOTTESFORD. Baps., 1615—37. Will., s. of Simon E., 1615. Ric., s. of Simon E., 1635. John, s. of Simon and Margaret, 1637.

From register transcripts in Alnwick Tower, Lincoln Palace:—Serby, exist 1661—2, 1562—3, 1784 and later: Nil. North Kelsey, exist 1562—3, 1561—2, 1614, 1700 and later: Nil.

WRAWBY (transcripts).

Following list of bills examined, with notes of Emersons which occur:—1561, Ann, d. of Alexr. E., bap. 1562, Edward, s. of Edward E., bap. 1565, no E.s. 1576, no E.s. 1585, Edward, s. of George E., bap. 1569—70, 1586—7, none of the name. 1587—8, John, s. of George E., bap. and bur. 1588—9, Ann, d. of Geo. E., bap. 1589—90, 1590—91, no E.s. 1591—2 (1592, Alex. E., bap.). 1591, Allen Wardall m. Agnes E. 1592—3, 1593—4, none of the name. 1594—5, Geo. E., bap. and bur. (1595). 1595—6, Geo. E., bap. 1596—7, 1597, 1598—9, 1599—1600, 1600—01, no E.s. 1601—2, Geo. E., bur. 1602—3, 1603—4, no E.s. 1604—5, John, s. of Thomas E. (?) 1605—6, 1606—7, none of the name. 1607—8, Alex., s. of Alex. E., bap. 1608—9, no E.s. 1609—10, Eliz., d. of Alex. E., butcher, bap. 1610—11, no E.s. 1611—12, Michael, s. of Alex. E., butcher, bap. and bur. 1612—13, 1613—14, no E.s. 1614—15, Geo., s. of Alex., bap. 1615—16, no E.s. 1616—17, Geo., s. of Alex. E., bur. 1617—18, Ann, d. of Alex. E., yeoman, bap. 1619—20—21—22—23, no E.s. 1624, Rob., s. of Alex. E., Jr., butcher, bap. (?) 1625, Grace, d. of Alex. E., gent., bur. 1626, no E.s. 1627, Tho., s. of Alex. E., gent., bap. 1628, no E.s. 1629, Ann, d. of Alex. E., gent., bap. 1630, Eliz., d. of Alex. E., gent., bap. 1630, Alex. E., of Glamford Brigg, gent., bur. 1631, no E.s. 1632, Henry Weackcliffe, Vicar of Cadney, and Ann, d. of Rob E., mar. 1632, Ann, vid., of Brigg, bur. 1633, Joseph Larke, of Gainsborough, m. to Ann E. 1634, Alexander E., of Brigg, gent., m. to Ester, d. of Sir Francis Metcalfe, of Louth Park. 1634, Eliz., wife of Alex. E., gent., bur. 1635, Ester, wife of Alex. E., gent., bur. 1638—9, George E. m. Jane Tomson, and a son Richard bap. 1639—40, William E., late of Ashby, bur. 1640, Jane, d. of Geo. and Jane E., bur. 59 bills examined in all of Wrawby Parish.

MABLETHORPE (2 parishes), ST. PETER AND ST. MARY.

The following years (all that exist within 1598—1641) were searched:—1598—9, 1604—5, 1605—6, 1606—7, 1611—12, 1612—13, 1613—14, 1614—15, 1615—16, 1616—17, 1616—17, 1617, 1618, 1619—20, 1620—21, 1623—4, 1625—6, 1627—8, 1633—4, 1634, 1634—5, 1637, 1638, 1639—40, 1640—41, 1668. Nil. Above are mainly St. Peter's parish. 1614, 1614—15, 1615—16, 1617—18, 1618—19, 1619—20, 1620—21, 1621—22, 1622—23, 1624—5, 1626—27, 1628—9, 1629—30, 1630—31, 1631—32, 1632, 1633, 1633, 1635—6, 1638—9, 1639—40, 1640—41. Above are mainly St. Mary's Parish. A bill for 1663 is signed by Thos. E., as Churchwarden. 48 bills in all for Mablethorpe searched. Transcripts are mixed up.

Marriage Licence bonds searched, 4 bundles. Bundle 1, 1612 to 1627. Bundle 2, 1613 to 1628. Bundle 3, 1606 to 1612. Bundle 4, 1616 to 1624. Only one found as below. 19 Jan., 1624, licence to Robt. Lawrence, of Bondby, to marry Barbara E., of same, widow, at Bonby. Richard Dolphin, of Barton on Humber, gent., bondsman.

LINCOLN MARRIAGE LICENCES, 1598—1628.

1603, Oct. 10, Geo. E., of Market Rasen, and Jocosa ffield, vid. (St. Mich.). 1626, Feb. 7, Nathanil Thewe, of Bratofte, husb., æt. 25, and Anne E., of Gunby, spr., æt. 22, (St. Paul). 1627, Mar. 15, Simon E., of Bottesford, æt. 33, and Marg. Stocks, of do., spr., æt. 21. 1627, Mar. 17, William E., of Haburgh, æt. 30, and Mary Milson, of Kellingholme, sp., æt. 30, her parents dead (Haburgh). 1673, Sep. 9, Edward E., of Honington, Co. Durham, and Eliz. Challoner, of Doddington, Co. Lincoln, spr. Sureties—W. Carlton, of Doddington, clerk, and T. Hird, of the Close, Lincoln, gent. Witness, Hen. Francis, Notary Public.

NOTTS MARRIAGE BONDS.

1725, Mar. 20, Thos. E., of Caistor, Co. Lincoln, gent., bachelor, æt. 36, and Dorothy Sheldon, of Mansfield, Co. Notts, spr., 26. Surety—James Wharton, of Mansfield, gent. Sealed with two seals, heraldic, but the Emerson one is obviously spurious heraldry.

DEAN AND CHAPTERS MAR. BONDS.

1683, Michael E., of Caistor, gent., and Anne Bard, of N. Kelsey, spr. Surety—John Farnery, of Kingerby, Clerk at Clixby, Searby, Hotton and Caistor. 1739, Michael E. and Abra Wright, Nov. 20. 1686, Mr. Thos. E. and Mrs. Isabel Ascough, Nov. 4.

CADNEY, 1563—1650.

Baptisms. 1563, Eliz., d. of Richard E., 10 March. 1564—5, Isabell, d. of Rich. E., 20 May. 1566—7, Margarett, d. of Rich. E., 20 . . . (defaced). 1568—9, Eliz. E., 23 (? January). 1569—70, Francis E., 16 June. 1570—71, Alice, d. of Thos. E., 1 Jan. 1571—72, Giles E., 13 Oct. 1572, Alice, d. of Rich. E., 10 May. 1575, Maria, d. of Rich. E., 19 May. 1575, Edward, s. of Tho. E., 29 July. 1576, Edward, s. of Rich. E., 8 July. 1578, Richard, s. of Rich. E., 2 April. 1593, Robert, s. of Wm. E., 8 Sept. 1588, Margaret, d. of George E., 24 Nov. 1592, Edward, s. of Edward E., 24 Aug. 1597, Edward, s. of Wm. E., 28 Nov. 1600, Vrsula, d. of Edward E., 18 Aug. 1604, Esther, d. of Wm. E., ... Aug. 1607, Alexr., s. of John E., 15 April. 1604, Alice, d. of John E., 5 Jan. 1604, Alexander, s. of Robert E., 24 Feb. 1620, Anna, d. of Robert E., (12?) Sep. 1620, Thomas, s. of John E., 22 Dec. 1613, Alexander, s of Tho. E., 1 Oct. 1614, Anna, d. of Tho. E., 2 Oct. 1616, Eliz., d. of Tho. E., 12 April. 1616, Judith, d. of Robert E., 7 June. 1617, John, s. of Tho. E., 20 March. 1619, Isabell, d. of Tho. E., husbandman, 11 Jan. 1621, Susan, d. of Tho. E., 25 May. 1613, Eliz., d. of Robert E., 3 June. 1624, Edward, s. of Tho. E., 20 . . . . 1626, Thos., s. of Thos. E., 14 April. 1626, Thos., s. of Michael E., 11 Feb. 1627, Michael, s. of Thos. E., 9 . . . . . 1629, Robert, s. of Thos. E., 8 Nov. 1637, Wm., s. of Thos. and (? Elenor) (? Emerson), 2 July.

Marriages. 1579, John Browne and Anna E., 5 Oct. 1591, Peter Franckling and Margaret E., 28 May. 1592, Edward E. and Eliz. E., 6 Feb. 1592, Richard Clark and Ales E., 6 June. 1603, Robert E. and Ellen Lightlaie, 19 June. 1605, Thos. E. and Margaret Hudson, 25 Nov. 1612, Thomas E. and Margaret Froe, 10 Aug. 1641—2, (? Rich.) Wright and Ann E., 4 . . . .

Burials. 1566—7, Margaret E., 16 May. 1571—72, Francis E., 9 Jan. 1572, Giles E., 3 March. 1578, Richard E., 13 Nov. 1592, Edward E., 3 April. 1587, Alice E., 13 March. 1588, Thomas E., 4 Jan. 1596, Robert, s. of Wm. E., 28 Sept. 1603, Wm., s. of Wm. E., 21 June. 1603, Margaret E., vid., 7 June. 1613, Alexander, s. of Tho E., 19 Oct. 1614, John E., 26 March. 1615, Alexander . . . . nson, singleman, ... Sep. [Probably not Emerson, but Stevenson.] 1613, Eliz., d. of Robert E., 10 July. 1639, Judith, d. of Robt. and Eleanor E., 7 Aug. 1641, Susan, d. of Tho. E., ... Feb. 1643, Robert E., yeom., 8 Feb.

Register very much defaced and faded 1605—8. Register from 1633—35 is extremely worn and faded and in many places wholly illegible from damp, the upper halves of some pages being lost also. The register is also most defective and bad from 1620—30.

LINCOLN LICENCES.

1633, Dec. 9, John E., of Brant Broughton, husbandman, æt. 21, and Joan Cooke, of same, spr., æt. 25. 1637, Oct. 27, Thos. E., of Sutton-in-Marsh, yeom., and Dorothea Maddison, spr., of Trusthorpe.

HEAPHAM, NR. GAINSBOROUGH (T. Jesson, contrib.).

Baptisms. 1681, George, s. of Stephen and Eliz. E., Oct. 31. 1685, Elizabeth (or Eliza), d. of Stephen and Anne E., bap. May 10, bur. May 12. 1701, Stephen E., churchwarden. 1711, ——, s. of Stephen and —— E., bap. Jan. 26, and (apparently the same) bur. Feb. 2. 1714, Anne, d. of Stephen and Mary E., March 25. 1717, Stephen E., churchwarden. 1718, Mary, d. of Stephen and Mary E. 1722, Stephen E., churchwarden.

Marriages. 1682, Stephen E. and Anne Snowden, both of Heapham, Nov. 9. 1707, John Snowdall and Ann E., Ap. 21. 1711, Stephen E., churchwarden.

Burials. 1680, Margaret, d. of Stephen and Eliz. E., Jan. 6. 1700, Ann, wife of Stephen E., Aug. 29. 1712, John, s. of Stephen and Mary E., Feb. 19. 1717, Stephen E., husbandman, Sept. 20. 1724, Mary, d. of Mary and Stephen E., Feb. 11. 1727, Stephen E., June 15. 1745, Mary E., Sept. 20 (?).

NORFOLK.

BERNEY. Baps., 1615—1635 : Nil.

NORTHREPPS. Baps., 1615—1635 : Nil.

WICKMERE. Baps., 1615—1635 : Nil.

WOLTERTON. Baps., 1615—1635 : Nil.

HOLT. MS., B., M., London. Imperfect. 1592—1640 : Nil.

Norfolk Marriage Allegations : Nil.

TOPCROFT. Baps., 1615—1635 : Nil. No marriage of John Fuller and Eliz. E. in register. No Emerson in marriages, and J. Fuller's bap. does not appear.

CHELGRAVE. Baps., 1615—1635 : Nil.

Likely registers beginning after 1640 : Woodnorton, Scrathby, Riburgh Parva, Methwold, Suffield, Paston, Hindringham, Binham, Wickhampton, Freethorpe, Reedham.

LODDON. Baps., mars. and burs., 1614—1650. Only entry, Hen. E., bur. 1623.

Norfolk registers, B., M., Add. MS., 23,008. Baps. examined 1615—1635 : Nil. Dunham Parva, North Elmham, Shipdam, Watton, Bintry.

LYNN, ST. MARGARET'S, 1615—1640. Jane, d. of Will. E., bap. 31 May, 1635. Will., s. of Will. E., bap. 18 June, 1637. ST. NICHOLAS, baps. 1615—1640 : Nil. ALL SAINTS, baps., 1615—1635. One E., but parson wanted 14s. for him, so he was left ignotus, also the parson.

GT. WALSINGHAM. Baps., 1615—1635. Will., s. of Thos. E. and his wife, bap. 12 July, 1618.

TWYFORD. Baps., 1615—1635 : Nil.

GUIST. Baps., 1615—1635 : Nil. Baps. 1641, Thomas, s. of Thomas E. and Anne his wife, 5 Dec. 1644, Miles, s. of Thomas and Anne E., 18 January. 1646, William, s. of Thomas and Anne E., 7 March. 1649, Judith, d. of Thomas and Anne Ennerson, 31 May. 1656, Suzana, d. of Thomas and Anne E., b. 25 January, and was bap. 18 March.

NORTH WALSHAM. Baps., 1615—40. 1621, Edward, s. of Henry E. 1626, Michael, s. of Henry E. 1629, Robert, s. of Henry E. 1631, Mary, d. of Henry E. 1636, Edmond, s. of Thos. E. and Anniz. 1637, Eliz., d. of John and Ursula E. 1638, John, s. of Thos. and Ann E. Burials : 1638, Eliz. E. 1648, Will. E., 12 March.

GREAT YARMOUTH, 1615—1640. Baps. A girl-child of Thos. and Eliz.

NORWICH, ST. PETER MANCROFT, 1615—1645.

Baptisms. 1621, Dec. 11, Elizabeth, d. of Allan E., draper. 1625, 22 Feb., Robert, s. of Allan E. and Susan. 1628 . . . . . Christopher and William, ss. of Allan E. and Susan. 1631, John, s. of Allan E., 6 Nov.

Marriages. 1615, 24 Oct., Allan E., single man of this parish, draper, and Susan Rice, single woman, of Gt. Yarmouth, by lic.

Burials. 1638, 19 Sep., Elizabeth, d. of Allan E. and Susan. 1641, 27 Dec., Allan Emerston, draper.

KENNINGHALL, 1558—1654 : Nil.

FREMINGHAM, 1615—1643 : Nil.

In a search including the registers of about 30 parishes (*vide infra*) of which North Walsham is the most important, no other Emersons were found, though as the search was not made specially for Emersons it is possible that some were omitted, but it is not likely that any number were so. I cannot find the birth of William Emerson who died in 1638, and it seems as if he and Elizabeth came from Durham, especially as he is found in the same parish as Rob. fil. Thurkill in Estgate. As to Thurkills it is too soon to say anything with certainty, but we know that John Threlkeld, of the Melmerby Threlkelds (who were allied to Emersons), was parson or rector of Brestou, and died there in 1602 (Carthew's Hist. of Launditch Hundred, Part II., p. 382). They were frequently called Thurkill.—John P. Steel.

The parishes searched were Antingham, Bacton, Catfield, Croswight, Dilham, Happisburgh, Honing, Horsey, Knapton, Lessingham, Mundesley, Palling, Paston, Felmingham, Smallburgh, Gemingham, Hemsby, Wascham, Ridlington, Sloley, Somerton, Sutton, Thorpe Market, Trunch, Walcot, Winterton, C East Somerton, Witton, N. and S. Walsham, Westwick, Worsted, Bircham, Newton, Swafield. Sco Ruston, East Ruston, Ingham (to 1800), Swanton Abbot.

HOLKHAM. 1567—1897.

Baptisms. 1781, July 2, Sara, d. of Edward and Judith E. 1783, June 2, Edmund, s. of Edmund and Judith E. 1784, Sep. 19, Mary, d. of Edmund and Judith E. 1787, May 13, Will., s. of Edmund and Judith E. (late Spooner).

1788, Aug. 8, Edward, s. of Edward and Ann E. (late Tann). 1790, Feb. 21, Ann., d. of Edw. and Ann E. (late Tann). 1791, Feb. 13, Thomas, s. of James and Mary E. (late Coxe). 1791, Aug. 12, Elizabeth, d. of Edmund and Judith E. (late Spooner). 1792, July 29, Will., s. of Edw. and Ann E. (late Tann). 1792, Oct. 3, Elizabeth, d. of Richd. and Ann E. (late Russell). 1793, July 15, Mary, d. of Edmd. and Eliz. E. (late Fowle). 1794, Ap. 18, Stephen, s. of Richd. and Ann E. (late Russell). 1795, Sepr. 14, Robert, s. of Richd. and Ann E. (late Russell). 1796, Mar. 3, John, s. of Edmund and Eliz. E. (late Fowl). 1797, Mary, d. of Ric. and Ann E. (late Russell). 1798, Aug. 22, Russell, s. of Ric. and Ann E. (late Russell). 1799, Oct. 23, Mary, d. of Richd. and Ann E. (late Russell). 1801, June 12, Russell, s. of Richard and Anne E. (late Russell). 1804, July 3, Edw., s. of Ric. and Ann E. (late Russell). 1805, Sepr. 20, Edward, s. of Richd. and Ann E. (late Russell). 1807, Oct. 31, Richd., s. of Richd. and Anne E. (late Russell). 1809, June 11, Ann, d. of Richd. and Ann E. (late Russell). 1811, Feb. 1, Margaret, d. of Richd. and Ann E. (late Russell). 1812, Dec. 27, Will. Hen., s. of Ric. and Ann E. (late Russell). 1814, June 16, John, s. of Richd. and Anne E. (late Russell, spinster). 1817, Aug. 16, Eliza, d. of Stephen and Harriet E. 1818, Dec. 22, Harriet, d. of Stephen and Harriet E. 1820, Jan. 28, Stephen Sallatt, s. of Stephen and Harriet E. 1821, Ap. 15, Frederic, s. of Robert and Susan E. 1821, Oct. 13, William Bacon, s. of Stephen and Harriet E. 1823, Mar. 8, John, s. of Joseph and Ann E. 1824, Dec. 7, Maria Anne, d. of Stephen and Harriet E. 1825, Dec. 11, Walt. Ric., s. of Stephen and Harriet E. 1826, Mar. 31, Ellen Miller, d. of Russell and Ellen E. 1826, Dec. 30, Mat. Sallat, s. of Stephen and Harriet E. 1827, May 7, Russel Houghton, s. of Russel and Ellen E. 1828, May 18, Maria Anne, d. of Stephen and Harriet E. 1828, July 20, Anne, d. of Russell and Ellen E. 1829, Sepr. 27, Charlotte Margaret, d. of Stephen and Harriet E. 1831, Feb. 13, Ric. Frances, d. of Stephen and Harriet E. 1833, Feb. 24, Matthew Sallitt, s. of Stephen and Harriet E. 1835, June 9, Amelia Cath., d. of Stephen and Harriet E. 1836, Oct. 23, Charles Walter, s. of Stephen and Harriet E. 1840, Sepr. 7, William Mitchell, s. of Edward and Charlotte E. 1842, June 12, John Joseph, s. of John and Margaret E. 1842, June 12, Stephen Samuel, s. of John and Margaret E. 1843, July 20, Edward, s. of Edward and Charlotte E. 1848, Oct. 8, John William, s. of William and Jane E. 1865, Nov. 26, Margaret Helen, d. of John Joseph and Elizth. Ann E., of London. 1872, Sep. 1, Florence Annie, d. of Stephen and Amelia E., of London, oil manufacturer. 1897, Aug. 1., Emily Elizabeth, d. of William and Christiana E.

Marriages. 1567, Feb. 9, Robertus E. nup. Johanna Hartley. 1783, Jan. 10, Edward E. and Ann Tann, both of this parish. 1788, Ap. 8, Thomas Crosley and Mary E., both of this parish. 1790, Feb. 16, James E. and Mary Cox, both of this parish. 1792, June 19, Richard E. and Ann Russell, both of this parish. 1792, Oct. 11, Edmund E., widower, and Elizabeth Fowl, both of this parish. 1794, June 12, James E., widower, and Mary Pull, both of this parish. 1803, Jan. 27, Robert Hall and Ann E., both of this parish. 1818, Nov. 15, Robert E. and Susanna Ransome, both of this parish. 1821, Nov. 18, Joseph E. and Ann Wick, both of this parish. 1822, Aug. 6, Joseph Caselton, of the p. of Wells in this county, and Elizabeth E., of this parish. 1826, Oct. 17, William Henry Miller, b. of Wells next the sea, and Mary E., of this parish. 1832, Aug. 19, William Youngs and Ann E., both of this parish. 1833, May 26, Richard E. of this parish, and Mary Ann Shorten of the parish of Wells. 1872, Jan. 14, John William E. and Elizabeth Sizeland, both of this parish. 1897, June 19, William E. and Christiana Rauson, both of this parish.

Burials. 1597, June 15, Johanna E., vid., sepul. fuit. 1781, Sep. 30, Sara, d. of Edward and Judith E. 1783, Sep. 19, James, s. of Edmund and Judith E. 1786, Ap. 5, Mary, wife of Edward E., 49. 1790, July 11, Ann, d. of Edw. and Ann E. (late Tann), infant. 1792, Feb. 18, Will., s. of Edmund and Judith Mary E. (late Spooner), 5 yrs. 1792, July 18, Mary, d. of Edmund and Judith E. (late Spooner), 8 yrs. 1792, Sep. 13, Will., s. of Edw. and Ann E. (late Tann) 6 wks. 1792, Aug. 1, Judith, wife of Edmund E. (late Spooner), 34 yrs. 1792, Aug. 16, Mary, wife of James E. (late Smith, spinster), 41 yrs. 1793, May 9, Edward E., widower, 60 yrs. 1797, Feb. 12, Edmund E., mar. man, 41 yrs. 1798, May 26, Mary, d. of Ric. and Ann E. (late Russell), 2. 1798, Aug. 31, Russell, s. of Ric. and Ann E. (late Russell). 9 dys. 1804, Oct. 10, Edw., s. of Ric. and Ann E. (late Russell). 1812, Jan. 1, Will. Hen., s. of Ric. and Ann E. (late Russell), 1 month. 1824, Sepr. 3, Richard E., mar. man, 53 yrs. 1825, Aug. 30, Ann Amelia, d. of Stephen and Harriet E., inft. 1827, Mar. 15, Mat. Sallat, s. of Stephen and Harriet E. 1828, Apl. 7, Ric., s. of Stephen and Harriet E. 1829, Mar. 14, Anne E., inft. 1829, Apl. 12, Anne E., inft. 1831, Apl. 18, Ric. E., inft. 1835, Amelia E., inft. 1841, Dec. 31, Anne E., 68 yrs. 1848, Sepr. 6, Edward E., 43 yrs. 1861, Oct. 16, Russell E., 60 yrs. 1866, May 22, Mary E., 74 yrs. 1868, May 10, Ellen Miller E., 42 yrs. 1874, July 23, Joseph E., 79 yrs. 1878, Ap. 7, James E., 1 yr. 1878, Aug. 28, James Noah E., 4 months. 1884, Mar. 1., Edward E., 4 months. 1885, Aug. 23, Benjamin E., 5 months. 1885, Nov. 23, Elizabeth E., 86 yrs. 1888, Ap. 23, Charlotte E., 70 yrs. 1893, June —, Joseph E., 18 yrs. 1896, Aug. 12, Sarah Ann E., 17 yrs.

SUFFOLK.

EASTON. Baps. 1615—1635: Nil.

IPSWICH, ST. MARY STOKE. Baps., 1614—1635: Nil. Bur. to June, 1614: Will E., senr.

BECCLES. To 1700. Thos. E., bur. 1697, his widow Margaret.

WOODBRIDGE To 1700. Mar.: Thos. E. and Agnes Driver, 20 June, 1611.

IPSWICH. Ten Parish Registers having baps. 1615—1635 were examined, with following results:—ST. MATHEW'S. Marriages. Susan E., 1693. ST. CLEMENT'S. Baptisms. Geo. E., 1627. Marion E., 1629. Susan E., 1632 and 37 (*sic*). John E., 1652 and 1666. Mary E., 1661. Robert E., 1657. Marriages: Joan E., 1615. Burials: Wife of an E., 1646. ST. MARY'S KEY. Marriages: Thos. E., 1743. ST. PETER'S. Baptisms: Thos. E., 1778—9. Burials: Thos. E., 1778—9.

The following registers had their baps. 1615—1635 searched with no result —Hasketon, Gt. Bealings, Dallinghoe, Shelton, Barstall (nr. Ipswich), Grundisburgh, Boulge, Debach, Saxted, Eye (no children of Thos. and Eliz.), Helmingham, Docking, Haddiscoe (Geoffrey E. rector, 1550—1554), Sudbury, All Saints and St. Peter's, Patestree, Chevington, Bildeston (N.B.—The present Bildeston E.s came from Capel in Suffolk), North Cove, Rattlesden, Wingfield, Fressingfield, Bungay (both parishes), Parham, Charsfield, Marlesford, Cretingham, Chorsfield, Rendlesham, Eyke, Campsea Ashe.

Likely registers beginning after 1640:—Hoxne, Bromeswell, Clopton, Benacre, Oakley, Playford, Hindolvestone, Brandon Ferry.

HOLLESLEY, 1623—1813. Baptisms. Sara, d. of Robt. and Mary E., 6 Feb., 1714. Rob., s. of Robt. and Mary E., 1718. Rob., s. of Robt. and Mary E., 1720.

DICKLEBURGH. Baptisms, 1615—1635. Rob., s. of Roger and Frances E., 30 Mar., 1634.

FROSTENDEN. Baptisms: Rob., s. of Rob. and Frances E., Jan. 21, 1787. Burials: Rob., s. of Rob. and Mary E., *née* Garrard, Jan. 28, 1789.

BRUNDISH. Baptisms, 1615—1635: Nil. Thos., s. of Ric. and Mary E., 1705. Mary, d. of Ric. and Mary E., 1707.

BUXHALL, 1600—47 (lacunæ 1608—10).

Baptisms. Eliz., d. of Thos. Enersome, Sep. 28, 1636. Eliz., d. of Thos. E., Mar. 4, 1640. Thos., s. of Edw. Enerson, Nov. 8, 1640. (Over leaf this entry is duplicated and written Eberson.) Anna, d. of Ed. Enerahom and Anna his wife, Mar. 7, 1644.

Burials. Sara, d. of Ed. Everham and Anna, Oct. 10, 1647.

LOWESTOFT, 1651—1786. Col. J. P. Steel's transcript. Baptisms: Margaret, d. of Rob. and Eliz. E., of Ruston, 1768. Burials: Margaret E., Mar. 13, 1685. Bridget E., Feb. 6, 1694.

BRAMFIELD. Baptisms. Ann, d. of Ezekiel and Lydia E., Jan. 24, 1770.

BRANDISTON. Baptisms, 1615—1635: Nil. First record 1652, John E.

WESTMORELAND AND CUMBERLAND REGISTERS.

APPLEBY, ST. MICHAEL'S. Baps., 1615—1635: Nil. Vicar sees names "that look like Emmerson, but is inclined to think they are Edmonson." Evidently cannot read his register. ST. LAURENCE. No register before 1640; burnt in a fire.

LAZONBY, CUMBERLAND, 1612—1645.

Baptisms. 1612, Agnes E., 22 March. 1631, Jane E., the xxv.th Februarie. 1632, Thos. Emerson (or Emetson), the sonne of Thos. E., xii.th July. 1632, Rowland, sonne of Willia. E., 13th January. 1635, Elizabeth, d. of Rob. E., 17 Oct. 1635, Marge, d. of Will. E., xxv. March. 1638, Thomas, s. of Robert and Eliz. E., 21st Oct. 1645, Xtopher, s. of Robert E. and Elizabeth his wife, 13 Feb.

Marriages. 1619, William E. and —— (quite illegible), xxix. July.

ESSEX.

KELVEDON, 1558—1640.

Baptisms. John and Martha, children of Thos. and Eliz. E., Sept. 6, 1633. Eliz., d. of Thos. and Eliz. E., 8 Nov., 1635. Anne, d. of Thomas and Eliz. E., 2 Sep., 1638.

Burials. Martha E., 10 Sept., 1633. John E., 16 Sept., 1633.

RAYNE PARVA. Baps., 1615—1627: Nil. Gap 1627—1669.

FELSTED, 1615—1635.

Baptisms. 7 Dec., 1615, Sara, d. of John E. 2 July, 1616, Rebecca, d. of Ricd. E. 8 Nov., 1617, Richard, s. of Ricd. E. 27 June, 1618, Rebecca, d. of John and Elizabeth E. 28 Aug., 1620, Sara, d. of John and Jane E. (of Forfeilds). 18 Dec., 1620, Dorothy, d. of Ricd. and Sara E. 4 Mar., 1622—3, William, s. of Ricd. and Sara E. 20 May, 1625, John, s. of Ricd. and Margaret E.

FEERING, 1615—1635.

Baptisms. Jan. 20, 1623, Frances, d. of Thos. and Eliz. E. May 28, 1622, Thos., s. of Thos. and Eliz. E. Mar. 26, 1626, Joyce, d. of Thos. and Eliz. E. June 27, 1630, Thos., s. of Thos. and Eliz. E. W. J. P.

LITTLE WALTHAM. Baps., 1615—1635: Nil. C. C. S.

ONGAR.

Baptisms. Anne E., d. of Thos. E. and Anne his wife, July 5, 1685.

Marriages. Geo. Dane and Ann Emberson, May 4, 1707.

Burials. Anne E., wife of Ric. E., Apl. 16, 1745. Anne Emberson, Aug. 3, 1723. Thos. Emberson, Jan. 3, 1718.

LITTLE DUNMOW. Baps. 1615—1635. 1613, Thos., s. of John Emberson. 1615, John, s. of John Emberson.

TERLING (from transcript). Baptisms: Mary, d. of John E., Feb. 24, 1668. Burials: Margaret E., 11 Dec., 1554.

LITTLE WALTHAM.

1599—1629: Nil. Gaps 1629—33, 1637—43.

Baptisms. Josias, s. of Thomas E., 27 May, 1645. Sarah, d. of Thos. E., 23 May, 1646. Emerson, — of Thomas E., 3 Feb., 1648. Jane, d. of Thos. E., 16 June, 1650. Peter, s. of Thos. E., 17 May, 1656. Joseph, s. of Thos. E., 6 Oct., 1659. Eliz. Emberson, d. of John, 7 Jan., 1670. Thos. Emberson, s. of John and Judith, 27 Sept., 1671. John Emberson, s. of John and Mary, 29 Apl., 1673. Eliz., d. of John and Judith E., 6 June, 1673. Sam. Emberson, s. of John and Mary, 29 Aug., 1674. Jane Emberson, d. of John and Mary, 17 Nov., 1675. Eliz. Emberson, d. of John and Eliz., 23 Apl., 1682. Thos. and Judith E., children of John and Eliz., 12 Mar., 1684. Susan Emberson, d. of James and Susan, 27 Feb., 1763.

Marriages. Gaps 1636—43—46, 1652—8. Thos. E. and Mary Walford, 11 Oct., 1666. John E. and Mary Harwood, 29 Oct., 1667. Thomas Emberson and Mary Freeman, 28 Apl., 1671. Gap, 1692—95. John Rust and Mary Emberson, 28 Apl., 1698. James Emberson, of Felstead, and Martha Joyce, of Chelmsford, 25 Aug., 1708. Gap 1727—9.

Burials. Josias, s. of Thos. E., 23 May, 1649. Sara Emberson, wife of Thos., 29 Sept., 1670. Eliz. E., d. of John and Judith, 13 June, 1673. Samuel Emberson, s. of John and Mary, 9 Sep., 1674. Mary Emberson, wife of John, Sep., 1676. Mary Emberson, wife of Thos., 25 Sep., 1682. Honour Emberson, d. of John and Eliz., 24 Mar., 1682. Thos. Emberson, 20 Nov., 1686. Judith Emberson, vid., 29 Mar., 1702. John E., 5 Apl., 1704.

Likely registers beginning after 1635, cf. Blue Book:—Hadleigh, Prittlewell, Southchurch, Sutton, Shipland, Westham, Witham, Cressing, Rivenhall, Sible Hedingham, Leigh nr. Southend, South Fambridge, Paglesham, Rochford, Eastwood, St. Lawrence, Little Leighs, Shalford, Gt. Waltham, Gt. Yeldham, Mundon, Gt. Wakering, Pitsey, Nevendon, East Mersea, West Mersea, Gt. Bardfield, Hatfield Peverel, Colchester (Bese Ch., St. Giles, St. Andrew, E. Grinsted, St. Mary Magd., St. Michael's, Mile End, Holy Trinity), Woodham Mortimer.

Reward notices were posted to some twenty other "likely" parishes with registers beginning before 1635, viz.:—Romford, Yange, West Berghholt, Bradwell-justa-Mare, Harwich (St. Nicholas), Wivenhoe, Finchingfield, High Roding, Dagenham, East Hanningfield, Toppesfield, Hatfield Broad Oak, Kelvedon Hatch, Navestock, Netteswell, Widford, Gt. Badow, Little Badow, Chelmsford, Bardfield Saling, Bocking, Panfield, Black and White Notley, Fairsted, Gt. and Little Dunmow, Coggeshall, Feering, Gt. Leighs, Cold Norton.

FYFIELD, to 1700 (printed). John Emberson and Agneta Eagles, m. decimo septimo Junii, 1593. 1608, Agnes Emeson ux John, bur. April 4.

GREENSTED, LAMBOURNE, BOBBINGWORTH, to 1700: Nil. J. P. S.

GT. LEIGHS. Baps. 1611—1639. 1619, John, s. of Nicholas E.

ROMFORD. Baps. only, 1561—1565: Nil.

GREAT WALTHAM begins after 1640.

GT. HALLINGBURY, 1537—1565. Baps. only: Nil.

LITTLE HALLINGBURY begins after 1640.

THAKELEY begins 1662.

GT. DUNMOW begins 1538. Baps. searched to 1565. Robt., s. of Thomas E., 1561. Joan, d. of Thomas E., 1562. John, s. of Thomas E., 1565.

HATFIELD BROAD OAK. Begins 1558, but only one page for this year, no Emersons, then there is a gap to 1660.

COL. CHESTER'S EXTRACTS FROM ESSEX REGISTERS, ETC.

Great Burstead, extracts (marriages only), 1559—1791. Walthamstow, monumental inscriptions. Hadleigh, extracts, 1589—1691. Lawford, extracts and M.I.s, 1583—1768. Kelvedon Hatch, extracts and M.I.s, 1564—1852. Messing, extracts and M.I.s, 1648—1783. Chadwell, extracts, 1579—1735. Little Burstead, extracts, 1678—1837. Foulkbourn, extracts, 1576—1765. Birdbrook, extracts and M.I.s, 1634—1811. Roxwell, extracts and M.I.s, 1564—1813. Barking, extracts and M.I.s, 1558—1853. Ilford Hospital Chapel, M.I.s. Romford, extracts and M.I.s, 1561—1850. East Ham, extracts and M.I.s, 1702—1865. Theydon Garnon, extracts and M.I.s, 1655—1741. Cold Norton, extracts and M.I.s, 1548—1771. Hutton, extracts, 1654—1763. Purleigh, extracts, 1604—1719. Tendring, extracts (burials), 1615—1797. Great Warley, extracts, 1669—1702. Thaxted, extracts, 1612—1613. Otton Belchamp, extracts, 1665—1837. St. Leonard's, Colchester, extracts, 1641—1724. Wickham, St. Paul's, extracts, 1646—1801. Foulness, list of Rectors only. Castle Hedingham, extracts, 1562—1747. Southminster, extracts and M.I.s, 1705—1723. Wicken Bonant, extracts, 1622. East Hanningfield, extracts and M.I.s, 1680—1768. Little Horkesley, extracts, 1681. Cranham, M.I.s. Upminster, M.I.s. Dagenham, extracts and M.I.s, 1598—1861. Hornchurch, extracts and M.I.s, 1575—1863. Raynham, extracts and M.I.s, 1603—1759. Havering-atte-Bower, M.I.s only. Theydon Mount, extracts (burials only), 1668—1699. Little Ilford, extracts and M.I.s, 1539—1807. Dedham, extracts, 1559—1797. East Horndon, M.I.s only. Stifford, all marriages, 1572—1753; extracts (baptisms), 1568—1783; extracts (burials), 1567—1783. Stebbing, extracts, 1712—1812. Debden, M.I.s. Gosfield, extracts, 1538—1812. Hornchurch, extracts, 1575—1810. Romford, extracts, 1561—1860. Great Braxted, extracts (burials and M.I.), 1701—1704. Chigwell, extracts, 1557—1653. West Ham, extracts and M.I.s, 1653—1680. Epping, marriages all, 1539—1708; baptisms all, 1539—1655; burials all, 1539—1753. Debden, complete, 1557—1764. Ingatestone, M.I. Little Bardfield, extracts and M.I., 1548—1763. Navestock, extracts and M.I., 1540—1803. North Ockendon, complete and M.I.s, 1571—1708; extracts, 1708—1772. Debden, M.I. Arksden, M.I. Chelmsford, extracts and M.I.s, 1584—1735. Halstead, M.I.s. Thundersley, extracts, 1617—1752. Woodford, extracts and M.I.s, 1736—1759. Wicken Bonhunt, extracts and M.I.s, 1609—1625. Newport, extracts and M.I.s, 1563—1636. Chigwell, M.I.s. Epping, M.I.s. Gosfield, M.I.s. Hornchurch, M.I.s. Romford, extracts and M.I., 1571—1609. Stifford, extracts and M.I., 1569—1789. Great Burstead, M.I.s. Walthamstow, extracts and M.I.s, 1656—1789. Lawford, M.I.s. Chadwell, M.I.s. Little Burstead, M.I.s. Faulkbourn, M.I.s. Roxwell, extracts, 1564—1638. East Ham, extracts and M.I.s, 1701—1746. Theydon Garnon, M.I.s. Hutton, M.I.s. Purleigh, M.I.s. Great Warley, baptisms (extracts) and M.I.s, 1680—1721. Thaxted, M.I.s. St. Leonard's, Colchester, M.I.s. Castle Hedingham, M.I.s. Little Horkesley, M.I.s. Cranham, M.I.s. Upminster, M.I.s. Theydon Mount, extracts and M.I.s, 1564—1787. Dedham, M.I.s. East Horndon, M.I.s. Wrabness, M.I.s and extracts, 1683—1728. Writtle, M.I.s. Layer Marney, M.I.s. Borley, M.I.s. Birdbrook, M.I.s. Great Parndon, marriages all, 1548—1703; marriage extracts, 1704—1852; baptisms extracts, 1547—1862; burials, extracts and M.I.s., 1547—1869. Great Yeldham, extracts and M.I.s, 1580—1680. Toppesfield, extracts and M.I.s, 1618—1636. Wickford, extracts and M.I.s, 1539—1660. Pentlow, extracts and M.I.s, 1541—1570. Nazing, extracts and M.I.s, 1561—1668. Waltham Holy Cross, extracts and M.I.s, 1563—1799. South Weald, extracts and M.I.s, 1651—1766. Wethersfield, extracts and M.I.s, 1701—1847. Leigh, extracts and M.I.s, 1604—1735. Prittlewell, extracts and M.I.s, 1649—1725.

The only likely entries found were in Pars. of Barking, Romford, Dagenham, Little Ilford, Stebbing and Hornchurch, viz.:—

BARKING. Burials: 1676, April 22, Francis Emerton. 1688, Oct. 4, Francis Emerton.

ROMFORD.

Baptisms. 1646—7, Feb. 22, Sara, d. of Francis Emerton. 1650, Apl. 19, Elizabeth, d. of Francis Emerton. 1656—7, Feb. 12, John, s. of Francis Emmerton.

Marriages. 1713—4, Jan. 6, Thomas Emerton, of St. Bride's, London, single, and Ann Morgin, of St. Giles', Cripplegate, w dow, lic.

Burials. 1656, Nov. 7, Ann, d. of Francis Emerton.

DAGENHAM.

Baptisms. 1678, Sept. 10, John, s. of John Emerton,

junior. 1681, Mar. 31, Robert, s. of John Emerton, junior. 1693, July 6, Elizabeth, d. of John and Frances Emerton. 1697, Apl. 18, Mary, d. of Mr. John and Rebecca Emerton (born 17th).

Marriages. 1609, June 8, Hugh Emmerton, of Epping, and Jane Hayward, of Dagenham, both single. 1679, Dec. 19, John Emerton and Susannah Cumins. 1679, Dec. 31, John Emerton and —— Marlow. 1696, July 23, John Emerton of this parish, and Rebecca Hinley of Stepney.

Burials. 1611, Dec. 16, John, s. of Hugh Emmerton, of Munrissing. 1698–9, Jan. 7, John Emerton.

Little Ilford. Marriages: 1696, July 23, Mr. John Emmerton, of Dagenham, and Rebecca Henley, of Stepney.

Stebbing. Burials: 1808, Feb. 29, Elizabeth Empson, aged 83, buried in the Quakers' Meeting House Yard.

Hornchurch. Marriages: 1753, Nov. 1, Matthew Emmerson and Sarah Batty, both single, and of Hornchurch—Banns.

CAMBRIDGE.

Thorney Abbey. Register begins 1653. (Extracts supplied by Maj.-Gen. A. L. Emerson.)

Baptisms. Thomas, filius Roberti et Elizabetha E., August 20th, 1689. Elizabetha, filia Roberti et Eliz. E., May 9, 1689. Robert, s. of Thos. and Eliz. E., 25 March, 1694. Richard, s. of Thos. and Eliz. E., 30 Oct., 1737.

Marriages. Robertus Emotson and Anna Bedford, 5 Oct., 1680. N.B.—This Robert married again between 1684 and 1689 to Elizabeth ——, and had two children, Thomas and Elizabeth. The son Thomas was the father of Richard Emotson, of Whittlesea.

Burials. 1684, Anna, uxor. Rob. E., sepulta fuit, Nov. 30. 1708, Rob. E., Senex, 14 Jan. 1720, Eliz. Emotson, 24 May. 1739, John E. (unmarried), 30 May. 1741, Matthew E., 14 Dec. 1745, Thos. E., 30 Feb. 1793, Richard Emotson (Whittlesea), 19 June.

Inscription on tombs: In memory of Mr. Thos. Emotson, who departed this life, 29th day of July, 1745, in the 56th year of his age; also of Mrs. Eliz. Emotson, his wife, who departed this life, 20 March, 1780, in the 77th year of her age.

In memory of Mr. Richard Emotson, surgeon, of Whittlesea, son of Eliz. and Thos. Emotson, who departed this life, June 16th, 1793, in the 56th year of his age.

Comberton, transcripts, 1615–35. Baptisms: 1617, 6 Jan., John, s. of Thomas and Mary E. Burials: 1633, 20 June, Thos. E.

Chesterton, 1615–35. Baps.: Nil.

Trumpington, 1615—35. Baptisms: 1631, 18 March, Elizth., d. of Wm. and Elizth. E. 1633, 9 March, Wm., s. of Wm. and Elizth. E.

Hadenham. Baps., 1615—35: Nil.

Cottenham, 1615—1700.

Baptisms. 1615, 24 March, Mary, d. of Wm. E. 1616, 25 Apr., Richard, s. of Francis E. 1621, 11 Oct., Margaret, d. of Thos. E. 1624, 29 Aug., Eliz., d. of Thos. E. 1628, 25 Jan., Dorothy, d. of Thos. E. 1639, 23 Jan., Cath. and Ann, d. of Richard and Margaret E. 1642, 7 Feb., William, s. of Rd. and Margaret E. 1643, 4 Aug., Ric., s. of Ric., jr., and Ann E. 1645, 15 March, Ann, d. of Rich. and Margaret E. 1650, 21 Aug., Eliz., d. of John and Grace E. 1650, 17 Nov., Eliz., d. of Rd., jr., and Ann E. 1651, 4 Oct., Mary, d. of Thos. E. 1652, 18 Jan., Ric., s. of Rd. E. 1653, 27 Aug., John, s. of Tho. E. 1654, 5 Apr., Rich., s. of John E. 1654, 28 Feb., John, s. of Tho. E. 1659, 12 Apr., Francis, s. of Tho. E. 1659, 20 May, Grace, d. of John E. 1661, 18 Aug., William, s. of Thos. and Alice E. 1673, 20 July, Mary, d. of Wm. and Mary E. 1674, 26 Dec., Wm., s. of Wm. and Mary E. 1679, 30 Mar., Margaret, d. of Wm. and Mary E. 1679, 23 Jan., Rich., s. of Wm. and Ann E. 1679, 29 Feb., Ann, d. of Rich. and Margaret E. 1681, 16 Oct., Margaret, d. of Rd. and Margaret E. 1684, 6 Apri., Elizth., d. of Rd. and Margaret E. 1686, 6 Jan., Alice, d. of Rd. and Margaret E. 1689, 8 Dec., Rd., s. of Rd. and Margaret E. 1691, 5 Feb., John, s. of Rd. and Margaret E.

Marriages. 1639, 25 Apr., Richard E. and Margaret Brigham. 1639, 15 Oct., Rich. Aubrey and Marie E. 1668, 22 Ap., Edward Clark and Mary E. 1674, 28 Sept., Thos. Burgesse and Mary E. 1679, 30 March, Rich. E. and Margaret Saunderson.

Burials. 1639, 27 Feb., Catb. and Ann, d. of Richard and Margaret E. 1641, ——, Eliz., d. of Thos. E. 1642, Cuthbert E., a stranger. 1644, 16 Jan., John E. 1649, 5 Feb., Rich., s. of Rd. and Ann E. 1651, 22 Sept., Eliz., d. of John E. 1661, 21 May, Kath., wife of Wm. E. 1661, 31 Oct., Francis, s. of Tho. E. 1662, 13 Mar., Wm., s. of Thos. E. 1663, 29 May, Eliz., d. of Rd. E. (buried ?). 1669, 12 April, Rich. E. 1671, 22 July, Alice, wife of Thos. E. 1674, ——, Wm., s. of Wm. E. 1677, 20 July, Richard E., an ancient man. 1678, 10 Apr., Mary, d. of William E. 1678, 29 Aug., Ric., s. of Grace E. 1679, ——, Richard, s. of Richard E. 1680, 27 March, Ann, d. of Rd. and Margaret E. 1681, 2 June, William E., sr. 1681, 16 Oct., James, s. of Ann E. 1682, 24 April, Grace E., widow. 1683, 8 July, William E. 1689, 17 Jan., Rd., s. of Rd. and Margaret E. 1691, 23 March, Margaret E. 1699, 31 May, Francis E., husbandman. 1700, 16 April, Richard E., householder.

Linton. Baps., 1615—1635: Nil.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

Ordsall, 1538—1665.

Baptisms. Ann, d. of Mark E., and Margaret, his wife, 12 Aug., 1649.

Marriages. Mark E. and Elizabeth Copperwhite, 18 June, 1662.

Burials. George E., 22 Sept., 1648. Mary and Martha E., 26 Dec., 1653. Anne, d. of Mark E., 13 June, 1654. Frances, d. of Mark E., 3 Sept., 1657. Alexander E., 17 Feb., 1657–8. Margaret, wife of Mark E., 3 June, 1658. George, s. of Mark E., 29 Oct., 1669.

East Retford, 1573—1665.

Baptisms. Elizabeth, d. of Mark E., 23 June, 1644. George, s. of Mark E., 14 Feb., 1646.

Marriages. John F., [? H.]owbeck and Mary E., 25 Nov., 1609. Mark E. and Margaret Thorneton, 28 Oct., 1642. William Parr, of Rainton, and Isabel E., of Fenton, in Stanton Par., 30 Ap., 1657.

Burials. Anne E., 25 Jan., 1582–3. Alice E., 3 Ap., 1639. Edward E., 13 Sept., 1643.

HERTFORDSHIRE.

Hatfield register begins after 1660. Standon register begins 1671.

Cheshunt. Baps. to 1565: Nil. 1615—1655: Nil.

Much Hadham. Baps., 1559—1635: Nil.

Little Hadham. Baps., 1559—1565: Nil.

Stevenage. Baps., 1541–1565: Nil.

Sawbridgeworth. Baps., 1558—1750: Nil.

Thorley. Baps., commencement to 1565: Nil.

Stansted Montfichet (transcript Brit. Mus.), 1558—1600: Nil.

HUNTINGDONSHIRE.

Bluntisham, 1538—1650.

Baptisms. Eliz., d. of Emerson [*sic*], 5 June, 1609. Theophilus and Ann, children of Ric. E., 4 Dec., 1614. Dorothy, d. of Ric. E., 12 May, 1616. Catherin, d. of Ric. E., 22 June, 1617.

Marriages. Thos. Allen and Katthren E., 9 Feb., 1640—1. Rob. Selbe and Ann E., 18 Feb., 1644 (?). Mathu Emberson and Susan Sanderson, May 1, 1649. Gap from 1649 to 1710.

Burials. Theophilus and Ann, children of Ric. E., 16 Dec., 1614.

NORTHAMPTON.

Cosgrove register begins after 1653. Forthoe register begins after 1640.

Northampton. All Saints, baps., 1615—1635: 12 Dec., 1616, Wibrowe, reputed d. of Thos. E. and Ann Cantin. St. Giles, baps., 1615—1635: Will., s. of Joseph E., b. Aug. 7, 1634, bap. Oct. 4, 1634. St. Sepulchre, baps., 1615—1635: Nil. St. Peter, baps., 1615—1635: Nil.

LANCASHIRE.

Warrington. Marriages: Jan. 7, 1754, Jonathan E., of Winicke, and Catherine Richardson.

Bury, 1615—1645.

Baptisms. Elizabeth, d. of George E., Dec. 17, 1615. Alice, d. of George E., April, 1618. Anne, d. of Alice H. E., Dec., 1620. George, s. of George E. (of Bury), 1622. Ric., s. of Francis E., of Tottington, Jan. 18, 1628. Thos., s. of Francis E., of Holcome and Tottington, Aug. 22, 1630. Eliz., d. of Francis E., of Holcome and Tottington, June 20, 1632. Peter, s. of Francis E., of Holcome and Tottington, Nov. 8, 1635.

CHESHIRE.

Nantwich. Baptisms, 1615—1635: Nil.

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

Bletchley. Baps., 1615—1635: Nil.

Papworth Agnes. Baps., 1615–1635: Nil.

BEDFORDSHIRE.

Woburn. Baps., 1615—1635: Nil.

Bedford. St. Cuthbert, baps., 1615—1635: Nil. St. Mary, baps., 1612—1636: Nil. St. Peter Martin, baps., 1606—1636: Nil. St. Paul, baps., 1615—1635: Nil.

Potton. Baps., 1615—1635: Nil. Burs., 1633: a Miss or Mrs. Emerson. (G. E. G.)

BERKSHIRE.

Newbury. Baps., 1615–1635: Nil.

Hagbourne and Old Windsor begin after 1640.

Welford. All the register (contrib., Mrs. Stephen Batson). Bap., 1603, Thos. fil. Egidii (Giles) E., Nov. 9. Sepul., 1602, Thos. fil. Egidii, Feb. 6.

WARWICKSHIRE.

COVENTRY. ST. MICHAEL'S, registers burnt 1608, none before 1640. HOLY TRINITY, Baps., 1615—1635 : Kath., d. of Oswald E., Oct. 1, 1617.

The following Grammar School Registers were searched or searched for to 1635 when they began before that date :—Bristol (1800), Gloucester Cath., St. Mary de Crypte (1668), Felsted, Braintree (none), Sedgefield (none), Heighington, Darlington, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Durham Cathedral, Gateshead, Bungay, Ipswich, Bishop's Stortford, no early register.

NOTE.—When the name is written in the register Emerson or Emmerson it has been printed simply "E ;" when written otherwise the name has been printed in full as written. All extracts have been taken from the original registers or transcripts as indicated, except those quoted as "printed," when the printed registers, etc., have been copied. The initials referring to contributors are E. W. = Emma Walford ; J. A. L. A. = Rev. Airey ; W. C. E. = Mr. Ellison ; C. C. S. = Mrs. C. C. Stopes ; G. E. G. = The Vicar of Potton. The majority of Durham, London, Southwark, Gloucestershire and Kent registers were abstracted by Miss Walford ; the East Anglia register and Cambs. and Lincoln transcripts by Mr. F. Johnson, of Gt. Yarmouth ; some of the Essex registers by Mrs. C. C. Stopes, some by Miss Walford and some by Mr. Johnson, who also did the Herts registers. The Skelton, Sedgefield and Holkham registers were abstracted by the clergymen in charge, as also many of the short searches in Lincoln and Yorkshire.

Miscellanea.

LINCOLNSHIRE. Manor of Barrow, 6 July, 1708. Robt. Emerson, a customary tenant, presents an oath that on 19 June, 1708, Thomas Scrivener came before Robert Emerson and Jonas Pointer, two customary tenants, and surrendered one tenement, orchard, etc. Thos. Taylor's will, Barton-on-Humber, 6 Jan., 1715—*Inter alia :* "I give and bequeath unto my sister, Barbara Emmerson, the sum of two Pounds, to be paid within 12 mos. after my decease." (Rev. North-Cox, contrib.)

LONDON. The article on family nomenclature (by Dr. Farr) "there is no mention of Emerson." (E. Whitaker, Chief Clerk, General Register Office.)

DURHAM. Halmote Court Office, New Exchequer Bdgs., Durham. "I have searched all the post-mortem indexes and cannot find any Emersons of Foxton at any date. Yours truly, G. J. Wall."

LONDON. Emerson Street (Southwark). So named in a map, 1854. Before that was Thames Street. Southwark in 1630 comprised about the same as it does now. In letters patent from James I. to Edward Alleyn to found Dulwich College, the purchase of land from T. Emerson, Esq., is mentioned. "Sometime part of the free and Copiehold manor of Dulwich." (C. E. Heckethorne, author of "Lincoln's Inn and its Purlieus," contrib.)

DURHAM. No wills of 4th and 6th Earl of Westmoreland in Rowland, or at Somerset House.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE. Apprentices' indentures, Newcastle-on-Tyne, extracted from the books of the Merchant Adventurers of Newcastle-on-Tyne. Arthur Emerson : At a Court houlden the xx.th day of Aprill, 1613, Arthur Emerson, sonne of Bryan Emerson, of the East gate, in the County of Durham, yeoman, apprentice to William Jennison, the elder, Marchant Adventurer, and Bootheman, was enrolled. His Indenture bears date the xx. day of June, 1612, for tenn years Received for his enrollment, xxij.s. vj.d. John Emerson : At a Court holden xxviii.th day of August, 1617, John Emerson, sonne of George Emerson, of Ludwell in Wardell, in the County of Durham, yeoman, deceased, apprentice to Robert Bewick, Merchant Adventurer and Boothman, was enrolled. His Indenture bears date the v.th day of June, 1616, for 10 years. Receved for his enrollment, xxij.s. vj.d. (And see Newell Nupt. Advts., Surtees Soc. Publs., Vol. 93, Index.) John Emerson : At a Court holden 15 December, 1681 John Emerson, son of John Emerson, of Newcastle, gent., apprentice to Sir Nathaniel Johnson, knight, Merchant Adventurer and Mercer, was enrolled, his Indenture bearing date 12 Septemb., 1681, and paid xxij.s. vj.d. 19 July, 1676 : Thomas Emerson, son of Thomas Emerson, of Kilham, Coy. Northd., gentm., apptce. to Robert Ellison, Mercer, and dat. 1 Sept., 1675, enrolled and set over to Samuel Ellison. Admitted 1st October, 1685.

DURHAM. In will of R. Nicholson, of Middleton, schoolmaster, dated 12 April, 1589 : "Also I give unto George Emerson, of the Eastegate, one young mare, the which he has held to grasse." (Col. J. P. Steel, R E., contrib.)

ENGLAND. Hotten's original list of Emigrants, 1600—1700—1874, p. 239. Died at Martin's Hundred, 1624, this year : Alice Emerson, a girl ; Robert, a boy of Mr. Emerson's. Came in *George*, 1623, to Martin's Hundred : Ellis Emerson ; Ann, his wife ; Thos., his son, aged 11, and 2 servants named T. Goulding and M. Slator. Dec. 16, 1623, at Jordan's Journey, Virginia, William Emerson living. Partner J. Davies in *Sampson*.

YORKSHIRE. Registrum Honoris de Richmond, Ex libro Domesday, London, 1722. Foeda militum, p. 27. De foedo Alani fili Emeri in Aynderly Viconte Sutton and Synderly, 71 Foed, Hen. II. De Briano filio Alani, pro 4 Foed.

DURHAM. Exchequer Rolls (Auckland Castle), 1542. Roland Emerson, park-keeper of Wolsingham Park, at 6d. per day. Henry Emerson, forester of Roughside ward, and Thos. Emerson, chaplain, of St. James', Darlington, at 60s. per ann.

DURHAM, 1564. Interesting notes from wills and inventories from the Northern Counties (Surtees Soc.). Lionell Emerson, of Hunter Banks. Inventory, 25 May, 1564. Tre jackets, one lether dublet, 11 payre of hose, 11 shirts, one hat, one capp, one cloke, one sword wth. a buckler, one dagar, a payre of butes wth. spores, a payre of shoes, one sadle, one bridle, one bowe and halfe a shafe of shafts, xxx.s. For 11 layre stauls in ye churche, vi.s. and viii.d. Edmond Bean, Parson of Stanhope, April 19, 1564 : "It'm I giue to Cuthb'rt Em'son x.l. to be a help to my cosin Peter Will, and to my sonne William ;" C. E. also a witness to will. 1565, Thomas Wrangham, clerk of St. Andrew's, Auckland : Debts, Edmond Em'son's wyffe, of Wardell, xiii.s. and iiii.d. 1567, John Fetherstone, of Hartilpole, seller of lead, which the family mined in Weardale. Prased by these iiii. sworne men, lanclot lanchestre, Raphe Fetherston, John Em'son and John Gibson. Thomas Nevell, of Rabie, gent., Feb. xi., 1570, John Em'son, of Shotton, iii.s. Lanclot Em'son iii.s. for wages in the mill of Raby. 1572, Robert Emberson, of Newcastle, witness of inventory of Mr. John Wilkinson, of Newcastle, merchant. From "Rough Notes :" "Barbara Tomlinson, formerly widow of Carr (both Newcastle merchants), April 30th, 1577 : To George Emerson and his wife Anne, of Newcastle, 20s., and a 2s. rent of house and garden they hired here in Newcastle. Will Emerson, of Brotherlye (yeoman) : To Janet Emerson, *my maid servant*. His son William. P. 1584. Richard Bircho leaves Jane Emerson, 3s. 6d. Robert Barker, Alderman of Newcastle, 1588 : To his *sister's son*, Robert Emerson, 40s. Forgives his cousin, George Emerson, £5. Gives his sister's son, Richard Emerson, 40s. Alls Emerson 40s. Nov. 12th, 1598 : To Nicholas Fetherstonhalgh, of Akenshaw, gent., and to Mary his wife, who is now the wyff of Thomas Dickam, in Garlyside, to the longer lease of this ½ farm and lease Hedlehope, the £12 to be paid of his lease of deanery of Lanchester. Will of William Hodshon, son of James Hodshon, of Newcastle. He lived at Manor House, Lanchester, and attested Ralf's will. He was an old retainer of the Duke of Westmoreland. Lee, another old officer. Hodshon farmed Lanchester Deanery. Will of Henry, Earl of Westmoreland, 1563, son of Ralph Nevill. He leaves ½ farm of Stanley to N. Fetherstonhalgh, the keeper of Western Park. Chomley, Lee, Dowthate, Fetherstonhalgh, Burton, Emerson, Binham, Hodshon, all retainers of the Earl of Westmoreland, and all gentry residing near Brancepeth. It must be remembered William Hodshon and this same Nicholas Fetherstonhalgh witness Ralf Emerson's (of Brancepeth) will, and Nicholas Fetherstonhalgh married Ralf's daughter Mary."

DURHAM. There is a memorial brass in St. John's Chapel, Stanhope, with Ralf of Foxton's arms, to Thomas Emerson, of Newhouse, who died in 1817, and a window to Edward Emerson, of Hotts (Earnwell), who died 1858 ; the arms being incorrectly emblazoned in this window. Thos., of Newhouse, was agent to lead mines under W. Beaumont. (W. M. Egglestone, contrib.) These arms were used without any authority whatever, and the incumbent had better insist on their instant removal. He can find that such is the case on application to the College of Arms.—P. H. E.

BRISTOL. Freemen. Thomas Emerson, dyer, admitted freeman 16 Mar., 1634 (*vide* Gloucestershire pedigree).

NORFOLK. Feet of Fines to 1400 (W. Rye) 38 Ed. III., 1364, John Emmesone, of Fyncham, *v.* John Atte Jate, of Fyncham, and Juliana his wife ; in Fincham.

DURHAM. "'Clericum et familiarem' seems to be a cleric attached to the court and on intimate terms with the King. . . . I say *cleric*, not priest, he might be a deacon and this would make Philip's family a little easier. . . . I should render 'clericum et familiarem' by clerk-in-attendance, but it must not be assumed that he was in priests' orders." (Professor H. M. Gwatkin, M.A., of Cambridge, contrib.) This refers to Bishop Philip, of Poictou.

NEWCASTLE. "Plague, 1636. In 1639 disaffection became

2 July, 1580, Office of Judge against Ann, wife of Lancelot Emerson, detected of witchcraft. Thomas E., Churchwarden of Stranton. 11 Dec., 1579, William E. to do penance for swearing in Church at Brancepeth.

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Palgrave's Parliamentary Writs, No. 21, p. 601. 1305, 33 Edw. I., Emeryk, Peter. 1309, Fitz Emeric John (Johannes filius Emerici), Burgess returned for Scarborough (Part., p. 28, No. 19).

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Surtees' Hist. of Durham, Vol. I., p. 60: Robt. Ellinor acquires 1 mess. in Hutton Henry from Rob. Emerson, of Newcastle, 13 Mar., 36 Eliz. P. 66: Will. de Coxhow (œ), Lord of Sidgate Manor als. Crook Hall, 1360, s. and h. John, of Coxhow, who sold Crookhall to A. Bellingham, 1372. P. 77: A snapgest and Castle Hill in Quarrington (Kelloe Par.). P. 83: Cart 1309, *Teste* Emerico de Kellaw (Kelloe). P. 295: In 1611 Manors of Hamildon, Clowcroft and Grindon passed to Thomas Emerson and Ric. Cowdall for £83 4s. 8d. They conveyed to R. Bowes. (N.B.—For Thos. E. *vide* Emersons of Co. Surrey.—P. H. E.) P. 312: Ind. 5 Jac., 1607. Sir H. Lumley granted "all these meadow or pasture lands called the Ladie lands and one garth called the Ladie garth, containing about six acres, formerly occupied by Rob. Hardgill and Robert Emerson, and since belonging Nicholas Tempest, deceased, to Waltons and . . ." Note by P. H. E.—This is probably the Robert Emerson

who married Alice Hardgill—sons, Rev. Thomas, Xtopher, and possibly Ralf. P. 337: Blackburn (Lanchester Par.). Before 21 Eliz., John Wrangham bought the manor of Marmaduke Threkeld and *ob.* 22 Eliz., leaving Will. Wrangham, who in 23 Eliz. left two co-heiresses Jane who m. Emerson, and Joan Wrangham. T. Wrangham, of Sheles, *ob.* 1627, leaving Ric. fil. et her, æt. 23. P. 195: Pokerley, Emerico Archid. Dunelm. Emeric and Philip de Holcote were guardians of the See after the death of Hugh Pudsey, 1194—5. P. 340: Aimeric written Haimerico Archid., and 352, Amco. Archid. P. 285: Medmosley, Americo, Archidiacono. Vol. III.—257: Surtees sneers at the puritan Hutchinson for sneering at W. Emerson's (Mathematician) fondness of ale. Surtees says, "W. 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Vol. IV., p. 162: St. Mary's and rent of 40s. paid by Lord Neville out of vill of Crooke (Brancepeth Par.), 1388. P. 66: Liber Elemos, 1379. Cicely, widow of Will. de Hexham, granted to Thomas Emery ? son and Will. Greystones, Chaplains of St. Mary Magdalene Chapel and Hospital, four mess. in Magdalen Gate. P. 137: Sidgate Manor, begins at Tulse Cross and thence by the highway leading to Newcastle, near Hedale Cro s, and so to the Marden Hill and thence turning towards Akersside, near Fermleyburn, and thence to Frice Bridge and thence to the water of the Wear, and so by the Wear to Swanwell and thence to Tulse Cross. Held before 1217 by Gilbert de Aix; in 1217 by Aimeric, son of the Archdeacon Aimeric; 12.. by Marmaduke FitzGeoffery, sold to Peter del Crooke, who called it Crook Hall; in 1286 Adam de Cokym held it; in 1320 Alice, wife of Peter del Crooke, had claim; in 1320 Peter, son of Peter del Crook, sold it to William, of Coxhow, and Agnes. In Hatfield held by John de Kirby. 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Sicut Geo., Rob. *vel* Rolando Emerson *olim tenuere*. "A peculiar instance of a family remaining as long seated on a lease, under the church, in the midst of a mining and commercial district." Norham Castle was held of the Bishop of Durham. Whorlton was formerly Querington or Quarington. P. 76, 1641, Barnard Castle. J. P. and Arthur Emerson pay £31, and Widow Peake and Arthur Emerson pay £5 10s. = half £36 10s. = £18 5s. Arthur Emerson pays £2 5s. + £18 5s. + £2 5s. = £20 10s., or £20 10s. out of £243 8s. 4d. for desmesne lands and Park. Bishops Pudsey's lay vassals—Emme de Monasteriis de terra in Bradbury. Walter fil. Emme m. Iveta, gr. dau. of Roger de Fene, of Foxdon = Foxton, and Shotton = Scoton = Coelton. 1622, Arthur Emerson, of Durham City, buys 3 mess. in the city. 1618, Ralf Emerson and Marg. his wife sell covehouses for 100 marks. 1634, Lawrence Emerson *v.* Francis and Jane Emerson *re* mess. in Darlington; F. and J. sell in 1639. 1637, Robert Emerson, of Bellersid, sells to John Todd. 1491, Robert Emerson, of Burnhop and Hamsteel, m. Alice Hardgill, (?) widow of Robt. Hardgill; they had issue Xtopher, al. 1511, and Thos. (chaplain), 1521; 1497, Coll of Lanchester; 1465, Brancepeth Mill, Will. Emerson, surety. 1393, Will. E., of Bottesford and Broomsheel (chaplain). 1507, Joanna E., of Chester-le-street, m. Eskirk. Co. York, Pontefract Survey, 1546: John Emerson, 1 mess. in Normanton. Inq. P.M., Eliz. B., No. 547, John Emerson of Howden dies seized of various properties held of Bishop of Durham, *ob. circa* 1582. John is his son and next heir, aged 3 mos. in 1583—only son. 1636, Geo. Emerson, of Wearda'e, and Will. E., of Hollingbush, *v.* Thos. E., of Hill Close House. 1640, Thos. E., of Corusey, m. Elinor Mowbray. 1619, Ralf E., of Windeside. 1622, Francis E. m. (i.) Eliz., (ii.) Mary Hixon. Xtopher, of Eastgate, has two ds., Eliz., b. 1643; Ann, b. 1645. List of gentry, 12 Hen VI., 1433: Rob. Emerson. 1651—52, two acts passed for sale of estates forfeited. Amongst gentlemen too loyal to compound were:—Robert Emerson, of Ludwell, gent. Little Chilton, 16 Jan., 1619, Thos., and Jane his wife, granted the manor to Ed. Cropley, London. Geo. Emerson, tenant at Ferryhill, 26 Geo. III. Robt. Jennison, D.D., Vicar of Newcastle-on-Tyne, m. 1st Elizabeth, 2nd Barbara, d. of S. Sanderson, of Hedley-hope, who m. 2ndly John Emerson, Esq., merchant, and Alderman, and sometime Mayor of the town, *ob.* 9 Aug., 1673, bur. St. Nicholas, Newcastle; Robt. and Barbara had issue Thomas Jennison, merchant ad., of Newcastle, æt. 30, Aug. 22, 1666, m. 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Notes. Lands. MS. 902, *i.e.*, Gowland MS., *re* Co. Durham, 800 pp.: No index. (E. W.) Jno. Tapping m. Mary Woodmansey, 20 Oct., 1654, Boston Records. (P. E. C.) Bungay Grammar School: No early registers. (F. J.) Mathews' Survey, 37 Eliz. Ecclesiastical Court, Co. Durham, June, 1599: John Fetherstonhaigh *v.* Ralf Maddison, Emerson witness. Dispute as to stalls in Stanhope Ch. July, 1608: Fetherstonhaigh *v.* Bainbridge, Emerson witness, Subtraction of salary. 1592: Alison Emerson *v.* Joan Philipson, both of Stanhope, for slander. (J. J. H.)

Palgrave's Parliamentary Writs, No. 21, p. 601. 1305, 33 Edw. I., Emeryk, Peter. 1309, Fitz Emeric John (Johannes filius Emerici), Burgess returned for Scarborough (Part., p. 28, No. 19).

Harl. MS., 3782, No. 217: Mr. Mickleton left MSS., etc., relating to Durham . . . , and part were afterwards in the possession of John Mickleton, Esq., whose decease, in 1819, is mentioned in a letter from R. Sare to Humphrey Wanley. Durham Records. Lansdowne MSS., Vols. 959—61. Shelburne Papers. These papers I suspect to be part of Mickleton's collection. They consist chiefly of extracts from Rolls in Chancery, etc., etc., etc. They now pass under the name of Gowland's MSS. The only volume I can find corresponding to this description is Lansdowne MS. 902. Lansdowne MS. 902. "A Compendous History of ye Antiquities, Honours, parliaments, powers, priviledges, Jurisdictions, Bishops, Chancellors, Constables of ye Castle and other officers, priors and Deans in ye County Palatine of Durham and Sadberge." By R. A. Gowland. No index, only table of contents. Over 800 pages.

Extract from "Barrett's History of Bristol," p. 549. Benefactors to the Church and Poore of Temple Parish. 1686, Mr. Robert Amberson, merchant, gave £25, the profit thereof to be given in bread to the poor of this parish weekly for ever. Benefactors to the Church and Poor of St. Thomas's Parish, p. 561. 1685, Mr. Robert Amberson, gentleman, gave £100, the profit thereof to six poor-householders not receiving arms, yearly for ever. [Not indexed.] [No mention of *Ric.* Amberson.]

Surtees' Hist. of Durham, Vol. I., p. 60: Robt. Ellinor acquires 1 mess. in Hutton Henry from Rob. Emerson, of Newcastle, 13 Mar., 36 Eliz. P. 66: Will. de Coxhow (ce), Lord of Sidgate Manor als. Crook Hall, 1360, s. and h. John, of Coxhow, who sold Crookhall to A. Bellingham, 1372. P. 77: A snapgest and Castle Hill in Quarrington (Kelloe Par.). P. 83: Cart 1309, *Teste* Emerico de Kellaw (Kelloe). P. 235: In 1611 Manors of Hamildon, Clowcroft and Grindon passed to Thomas Emerson and Ric. Cowdall for £83 4s. 8d. They conveyed to R. Bowes. (N.B.—For Thos. E. *vide* Emersons of Co. Surrey.—P. H. E.) P. 312: Ind. 5 Jac., 1607. Sir H. Lumley granted "all these meadow or pasture lands called the Ladie lands and one garth called the Ladie garth, containing about six acres, formerly occupied by Rob. Hardgill and Robert Emerson, and since belonging Nicholas Tempest, deceased, to Waltons and . . ." Note by P. H. E.—This is probably the Robert Emerson

who married Alice Hardgill—sons, Rev. Thomas, Xtopher, and possibly Ralf. P. 337: Blackburn (Lanchester Par.). Before 21 Eliz., John Wrangham bought the manor of Marmaduke Threkeld and *ob.* 22 Eliz., leaving Will. Wrangham, who in 23 Eliz. left two co-heiresses Jane who m. Emerson, and Joan Wrangham. T. Wrangham, of Sheles, *ob.* 1627, leaving Ric. fil. et her, æt. 23. P. 195: Pokerley, Emerico Archid. Dunelm. Emeric and Philip de Holcote were guardians of the See after the death of Hugh Pudsey, 1194—5. P. 340: Aimeric written Haimerico Archid., and 352, Amco. Archid. P. 285: Medmosley, Americo, Archidiacono. Vol. III.—257: Surtees sneers at the puritan Hutchinson for sneering at W. Emerson's (Mathematician) fondness of ale. Surtees says, "W. Emerson was a man of strict integrity, that without improvidence he had all the due contempt for worldly acquisition and carking cares that ought to mark the bright path of science, and that he was capable of very friendly and benevolent actions. Of his infidelity I suppress some instances." His portrait was painted by Sykes. He is buried in Hurworth Church, his headstone standing against the west wall of the nave. There is a verse from Ecclesiastes, Chap. II., v. 15, and the following—Quod sub pedibus sepultum et neglectum jacet aliquando Gul Emerson vir summæ integritatis, rariasimi, ingenii, quantus fuerit mathematicus, si scripta ejus perlegeris, quorsum narraret saxum: Si non perlegeris—perlege et scies, ob. 24 Maii, 1782, æt. 81. Juxta sepulta jacet Elizebetha uxor., quæ ob. 27 Martii, 1784, æt. 76. P. 275: T. Heighington and Eliz. Emerson, m. at All Saints', Newcastle, 1 Nov., 1664 (Heighington, of Greystones). P. 283: Ed. Emerson, 1680—82, Vicar of Messington p. v. Elstob. Vol. IV., p. 162: St. Mary's and rent of 40s. paid by Lord Neville out of vill of Crooke (Brancepeth Par.), 1388. P. 66: Liber Elemos, 1379. Cicely, widow of Will. de Hexham, granted to Thomas Emery ? son and Will. Greystones, Chaplains of St. Mary Magdalene Chapel and Hospital, four mess. in Magdalen Gate. P. 137: Sidgate Manor, begins at Tulse Cross and thence by the highway leading to Newcastle, near Hedale Cro s, and so to the Marden Hill and thence turning towards Akersside, near Fermleyburn, and thence to Frice Bridge and thence to the water of the Wear, and so by the Wear to Swanwell and thence to Tulse Cross. Held before 1217 by Gilbert de Aix; in 1217 by Aimeric, son of the Archdeacon Aimeric; 12.. by Marmaduke FitzGeoffery, sold to Peter del Crooke, who called it Crook Hall; in 1286 Adam de Cokym held it; in 1320 Alice, wife of Peter del Crooke, had claim; in 1320 Peter, son of Peter del Crook, sold it to William, of Coxhow, and Agnes. In Hatfield held by John de Kirby. P. 19: Extract from Letter from Surtees to Sir W. Scott, "The mention of the bailiff's house at Eastgate is (were such proof wanting) strongly indicative of the authority of the ballad (Rookhope Ryde). The family of Emersons of Eastgate, a fief held under the Bishops, having exercised offices of Bailiff of Wolsingham (the chief town and borough of Weardale) and of forester under successive prelates, and the present bishop's ranger within Weardale may be said to claim his office by maternal descent, being Emerson Muschamp (another ancient name), and though somewhat shorn of his beams the lineal heir of the old bailiffs of Weardale. Robt. Emerson Parcarius de Stanhop, 13 Aug., 7° Neville. Cuthbert Emerson de Eastgate, sub-forester Parci de Stanhope, 1° Wolsey. Lease of the Eastgate to Mr. Geo. Emerson for 30 years at £10 per annum, 4 Ed. VI. Rob. Emerson de Eastyat, sede vacante, p.d. Tunstall. Parcarius. Dominæ Reginæ. Geo. et Rads Emerson, Ballivi de Wolsingham, patent 12 Sep., 1616. Sicut Geo., Rob. *vel* Rolando Emerson *olim tenuere*. "A peculiar instance of a family remaining as long seated on a lease, under the church, in the midst of a mining and commercial district." Norham Castle was held of the Bishop of Durham. Whorlton was formerly Querington or Quarington. P. 76, 1641, Barnard Castle. J. P. and Arthur Emerson pay £31, and Widow Peake and Arthur Emerson pay £5 10s. = half £36 10s. = £18 5s. Arthur Emerson pays £2 5s. + £18 5s. + £2 5s. = £20 10s., or £20 10s. out of £243 8s. 4d. for desmesne lands and Park. Bishops Pudsey's lay vassals—Emme de Monasteriis de terra in Bradbury. Walter fil. Emme m. Iveta, gr. dau. of Roger de Fene, of Foxdon = Foxton, and Shotton = Scoton = Coelton. 1622, Arthur Emerson, of Durham City, buys 3 mess. in the city. 1618, Ralf Emerson and Marg. his wife sell covehouses for 100 marks. 1634, Lawrence Emerson *v.* Francis and Jane Emerson *re* mess. in Darlington; F. and J. sell in 1639. 1637, Robert Emerson, of Bellersid, sells to John Todd. 1491, Robert Emerson, of Burnhop and Hamsteel, m. Alice Hardgill, (?) widow of Robt. Hardgill; they had issue Xtopher, al. 1511, and Thos. (chaplain), 1521; 1497, Coll of Lanchester; 1465, Brancepeth Mill, Will. Emerson, surety. 1393, Will. E., of Bottesford and Broomsheel (chaplain). 1507, Joanna E., of Chester-le-street, m. Eskirk. Co. York, Pontefract Survey, 1546: John Emerson, 1 mess. in Normanton. Inq. P.M., Eliz. B., No. 547, John Emerson of Howden dies seized of various properties held of Bishop of Durham, *ob. circa* 1582. John is his son and next heir, aged 3 mos. in 1583—only son. 1636, Geo. Emerson, of Wearda'e, and Will. E., of Hollingbush, *v.* Thos. E., of Hill Close House. 1640, Thos. E., of Cornsey, m. Elinor Mewbray. 1619, Ralf E., of Windeside. 1622, Francis E. m. (i.) Eliz., (ii.) Mary Hixon. Xtopher, of Eastgate, has two ds., Eliz., b. 1643; Ann, b. 1645. List of gentry, 12 Hen VI., 1433: Rob. Emerson. 1651—52, two acts passed for sale of estates forfeited. Amongst gentlemen too loyal to compound were:—Robert Emerson, of Ludwell, gent. Little Chilton, 16 Jan., 1619, Thos., and Jane his wife, granted the manor to Ed. Cropley, London. Geo. Emerson, tenant at Ferryhill, 26 Geo. III. Robt. Jennison, D.D., Vicar of Newcastle-on-Tyne, m. 1st Elizabeth, 2nd Barbara, d. of S. Sanderson, of Hedley-hope, who m. 2ndly John Emerson, Esq., merchant, and Alderman, and sometime Mayor of the town, *ob.* 9 Aug., 1673, bur. St. Nicholas, Newcastle; Robt. and Barbara had issue Thomas Jennison, merchant ad., of Newcastle, æt. 30, Aug. 22, 1666, m. Alice, d. and coheir of the above John Emerson, of Newcastle, by his first wife, d. of Alice Shafto, m. at St. Nicholas, Jan. 15, 1658, W.P. 1706, bur. at Newcastle. Darlington, 1594. Robt. E. and others declared contumacious for refusing to "re-edify" the clock. Witton Gilbert, 10 July, 28 Eliz. Pardon to Ralf Emerson, John Snaith and Chr. Thompson, for acquiring from Thos. Knevett, Esq., the manor of Witton Gilbert, viz., 29 mess., 5 toft, 10 gardens, 40 acres arable, 200 meadow, 200 pasture, 20 woodland, 200 furze, and whin, 300 moor and 5s. rent. To J. Shepperdson, Robt. Wrangham, Ralf Malome, Ellen Gibson, widow, and J. Read for manor of Witton: 10 mess., 5 toft, 5 garden, 200 acres arable, 200 meadow, 100 pasture, 40 woodland, 500 furze and 40 moor in Witton Gilbert. To Sir W. Cecil, knight, at Howards house. " . . . . As I am bound, I give your lpp. most humble thanks, first for my poore husband, whom your carefull friendshyp always sekyth to bryng to better estate, although it semyth that his own cruell fortune repugneth all good menes and endeavours that may be used to do him good. For my owne parte, I have not harde of hym a long tyme, which greveth me not a litle." (The rest of the letter relates to the parks of Brancepeth granted to her by the Queen, for 21 years if the lands do so long remain in the Crown, which she desires may be changed into a lease for years certain), "that she may enjoy it quietly wherever Her Majesty bestow the land, and that it may passe in the name of the barer, my servant, John Emerson. From Fremyngham, 10 Oct., 1569. Signed J. Westmorland." Footnote—Thos. Emerson built the old Market Cross in Durham in 1617, and decorated it with the Neville arms. Neville of Weardale. Anne, daughter and sole heir, living 1617, joined in the sale of Coves houses, married Edward Emerson, of in Weardale, gent., purchased Coves houses of Ralf Neville, *circa* 1593, sold Coves houses 1606. Arms of Neville—gules a saltyre argent, quartering Neville ancient with a crescent upon a crescent, for the distinction. Anna Neville vid filii coheres Rolandi Tempest arm: cipit medict tenem in Benefieldside, a Gillescrosse usque Lewelhede in Langley Way, 22 Eliz., 16 Feb., 1699. Mickleton 33, folio 39. Notes of Inq. held or to be held "per warrant, 22 Aug., 1618, post mortem Radi Neville de Cove houses in parochia de Wolsingham Anna filia et heres nupta Edwardo Emerson, terrae alienate ante mortem per pardon alienacionis predicte Edwardo Emerson." Pardon Thos. Aisley, gent., pro adquis. per finem ad acio, 22nd Jul., 14 Jac., 1616, de Edwardo Emerson, gent., et Anna uxore, Thos. Welden, gent., one mess. in Coves houses rot. W. James. Pardon Edwardo, gent., pro adquis, de Rado Neville, gent., unum messuage vocat Coves Houses in Stanhope, 36 Eliz., 4th March. Bookes of Durham History, by Xtopher Watson, Deira Grantus, Ao. 1573—4. Stowe (Claxton), Camden. Roger Dodsworth, 19th of his 160 vols. (Bodleian), 45 and 49. Collections from parish churches. Harl. MS., 3782, No. 217. Spearman MS. on Mrs. Masey, of Queen Anne St., Westminster, and R. Spearman, of Eachwick. Lansdowne MS.; Shelburne Papers, Vols. 959, 960 and 961, known as Gowland's MS., probably Mickleton Papers. "An enquiry into the Ancient and Present State of Co. Pal. by by the Mal-Administration of the present ministers and officers," 1729, 4to, J. Spearman, 2nd pt., G. Spearman. Allan's Sherburne House: Leland and Camden. Rudd's Close Rolls. Davies' Rites and Muniments by P. Saunderson, 1733. Allan's MS. at Grange. Gyll MSS. Literary Anecdotes VIII., 360—1, Allan's publications. Gateshead, Sherburn and Greatham. 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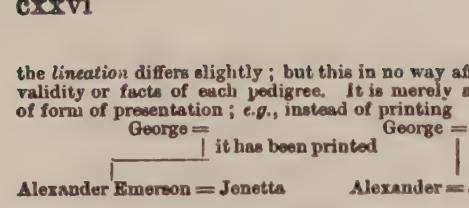
the *lineation* differs slightly; but this in no way affects the validity or facts of each pedigree. It is merely a matter of form of presentation; *e.g.*, instead of printing



for economy's sake. P. 29, l. 52: For "*Deleware*" read "*Delaware.*" P. 42, seventh stanza: The Eastgate bailiff was the Rowland Emerson who was killed in the fight. P. 61, l. 41: For "*Robert and Alexander Emmerson*" read "*Robert and Alexander Emmeson*" (a serious misprint). P. 89: Two foreign Emersons of interest should have been included here, Captain George Emerson, of Holland, and Margaret Van Emerson, of Hamburgh, in whose house Miles Coverdale translated the Bible. P. 115, l. 18: For "Emeron" read "*Emerson.*" P. 124, l. 40: For "Hadyn" read "Hayden." P. 150, l. 9: Introduce comma between Martin and Tubbermoney. P. 151, l. 41: For "*Royal Society*" read "*Royal Humane Society.*" P. 152, l. 1: Add "(3) Frances," and the following Nos. should be "(4)" and "(5)." P. 152, l. 2: Only dau. is called *Moya.* P. 152, l. 14: Add (11) Frances Wetheral Mulock (the contributor). P. 160, l. 17: For "*Jafford*" read "*Yafford.*" P. 160, l. 46: For "W.D. 1561," read "W.D. 1567." P. 161: The Richard of Hatyfield Forest entered as doubtful in this pedigree should come out. The Hatyfield Forest referred to is evidently Hatfield Chace, in Co. York, Notts and Lincoln, and where the Sheffields lived, and whose "servant" Richard E. was. The *Essex* forest is evidently not referred to.

Errata in Appendix.

P. iii., l. 15, for "Rennison" read "Jennison;" p. v., l. 70, for "Francis" read "Frances;" p. xii., l. 86, insert "o" into "Emers—n;" p. xv., l. 88, for "Emison" read "Emerson;" p. xvi., l. 5, for "Laye" read "Laxe;" p. xvii., l. 69, for "Emson" read "Emerson;" p. xix., l. 50, for "Emeson" read "Emerson;" p. xxiii., l. 48, for "Emson" read "Emerson;" p. xxiv., l. 86, for "Eberson" read "Emerson," col. 2, l. 50, for "Emson" read "Emerson" in both places; p. xxvii, l. 12, for "Wokingham" read "Wokingham;" p. xxix., l. 44, for "1793" read "1593;" p. xxxi., for "Nich." read "Mich.;" p. lviii., l. 47, for "Bridgett" read "Bridgett;" p. lxiii., l. 39, for "Miffin" read "Mifflin," l. 50, for "Holmes, C. W." read "Holmes, O. W.;" p. lxv., lines 27 and 31, the "arm" is noted and footnote omitted; this means these two persons were *not* armigers, and in l. 38 it is doubtful if the "gent." is a correct description; p. lxviii., l. 58, for "Seldon" read "Selden," l. last but one, for "Nichls" read "Nichols;" p. lxx., l. 17, for "William" read "Williams," l. 66, for "Emmeson" read "Emmerson;" p. lxxvii., l. 9, for "Hecklethorne" read "Heckethorne;" p. lxxx, 6th l. from bottom of 1st col., for "Emrson" read "Emerson;" p. lxxxiv., l. 70, for "Nuttrasse" read "Nattrasse;" p. lxxxv., l. 6 col. 2, for "Banegrigge" read "Banebrigge;" p. lxxxvii., l. 23, for "Ennerson" read "Emerson," l. 83, for "Morley" read "Marley;" p. lxxxviii., l. 83, 2nd col., for "Whitell" read "Whitfeld;" p. xciii., l. 12, for "Burnhopp Hampscels" read "Burnhopp and Hampstels;" p. xciv., l. 83, for "Hogesoe" read "Hogeson," l. 76, 2nd col., for "Stobbis" read "Stobbes;" p. xcvii., l. 72, for "Baimbridge" read "Bainbridge," l. 75, for "Briam" read "Brian;" p. xcviii., l. 61, for "Wakefield" read "Wakerfield;" p. cii., l. 69, for "St. Mark" read "St. Mary;" p. civ., l. 8, for "Clotsworth" read "Cotsworth;" p. cvi., lines 41 and 43, for "Owlton" read "Owton," l. 90, for "Crowe" read "Crawe;" p. cvii., 2nd col., l. 64, for "Fllen" read "Ellen;" p. cxii., l. 79, for "Gyrfyne" read "Gryfyne," l. 81, for "Rownsince" read "Rownsince."

N.B.—All the documents in the Appendix have been abstracted from the *original* records and printed from MS., excepting the following, which have been printed from printed sources, *i.e.*, *one* will, of Richard Emson, of Rochford, Co. Essex; the Hundred Rolls; the ancient deeds from the "Proceedings of Antiquaries of Newcastle-upon-Tyne;" Foster's "Durham Pedigrees;" the biography from Foley's "History of the English Jesuits;" Emerson Authors from the British Museum Catalogue; Fine Rolls, 7 John; Extract from "London Gazette;" University Grads., Doctors, Lawyers from Foster's "Alumni Oxoniensis," and University Calendars, Medical Directories, Law Lists, Clergy Lists, etc.; Periodicals and County Hist. Abstracts; the majority of notes under Bibliography; Extracts from the Surtees' Society Publications; a few register extracts indicated *in loco*, and in note at end of Par. Registers; and some of the Miscellanea indicated *in loco.* In the original records the name is usually written in the contracted form, but for simplicity it has been printed in the modern form, Emerson.

The initials used in other sections than the Parish Registers (where they are explained) represent the following:—F. Y.-P. = Prof. York-Powell; C. H. A. = C. H. Athill, Esq.; G. = Mr. Golding, of Sudbury; E. W. = E. Walford; J. J. E. = Dr. J. J. Emerson, of Easby Hall; F. J. = F. Johnson; P. E. C. = Dr. P. E. Canfield.

Index of Names of Persons in the Appendix.

NOTE.—Although the Appendix has been paged by Roman numerals I have, for the sake of economy in printing, given the references in ordinary figures, so that the searcher of the index must, when looking up a reference, go through the simple mental operation of turning the ordinary figures into Roman numerals as printed in the Appendix.

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